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Joyce gets a thank you for Land Army efforts



ABOVE: Mayor Coun Jeff Tildesley meets former land girl Mrs Joyce Collins, and her daughters and grandsons.

A FORMER Land Army girl from Bridgend has been recognised for her valuable contribution to Britain's war effort.

Joyce Collins, aged 82, formerly from Ogmere-by-Sea but now living in Bridgend, was just 15 when she joined up.

She was set to work doing tasks such as baling hay and straw, digging up potatoes and snow clearing in and around the farms and fields of the Vale of Glamorgan.

She even found herself chasing rats around the barn and 'disposing' of them with a pitch fork.

Now, more than 60 years on, she has received a certificate and a medal from Defra, the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, to mark her efforts.

Her three daughters then contacted Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) and the authority

arranged for the Mayor of Bridgend County Borough, Coun Jeff Tildesley, to formally present the medal to Mrs Collins.

Mrs Collins said: "It actually was a wonderful life, and I really enjoyed that time. My mother wasn't so pleased though.

"One day a local farmer gave us all a sack of potatoes as a thank you for the work we had done for him.

"When my mother saw me arriving home at the gate she said: 'I never thought I'd see a daughter of mine walking up the road carrying a sack of potatoes'.

"Of course girls were very much girls until then and the sight of us doing manual work was sometimes distressing to our mothers. But we all loved it and it's nice to receive this medal, recognising the contribution we made."

Mayor Tildesley added: "It's a

pleasure to meet this wonderful lady who, like so many others, did work that meant the men could go away and fight to give us our freedom.

"This medal is thoroughly deserved."

As well as sharing her memories with the Mayor, Mrs Collins also brought in some other reminders of her Land Army days - photographs and her Land Army breeches, still in excellent condition and complete with their 24 inch waist label!

One of Mrs Collins' three daughters, Jayne Thomas, said she was delighted her mum's contribution has been recognised.

She added: "I'd like to thank Bridgend County Borough Council for arranging this lovely afternoon for our mother, and the Mayor for making this presentation, which means so much to all of us."

LEAKED PAPER RAISES ALARM Maesteg swimming pool - could it go down the plughole?

by JAYNE ISAAC

THE FUTURE of Maesteg swimming pool is under threat.

A confidential briefing paper sent to cabinet members at Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) and leaked to other members was discussed at a special meeting of Maesteg Town Council on Tuesday.

This paper sets out a number of options for the pool, including repairing and refurbishing the existing pool at a cost of £1.2m; demolishing it and rebuilding on the site, which would cost £2.7m, or moving it to a different site, which would cost £2.8m.

The meeting heard that the pool, which is located in the centre of town surrounded by residential streets, was built in the 1930s as an open air pool, but it was covered in the 1960s by the old Maesteg UDC. It also underwent major refurbishment in 1990.

The pool is used by more than 124,000 people a year, not counting those who have a Bridge Card. The pool had a £220,000 subsidy in 2008-09, which officers say is larger than other pools because it is not energy efficient.

A condition survey of the pool, carried out last November, identified a series of defects and work that needed to be done. These include:

- Work costing £374,000 needed on mechanical issues over the next five years, with £100,000 needed urgently.

The report says: "The whole of the pool plant is in poor repair and needs complete renewal."

• A further £300,000 is needed on the electrical equipment, with £200,000 needed to be spent within two years.

The basic option presented in the briefing paper says that just carrying out essential repairs - but not any improvements - would cost £1.2m. Making the pool more energy efficient would cost an extra

£300,000.

The report says that failures of the filtration system at the pool had led to a greater risk of water contamination and a number of closures this year already.

The report warned that a situation may arise where there was professional advice to close the pool on health and safety grounds.

The filtration system appears to be rapidly deteriorating and would cost £130,000 to replace.

The report says that there is no money available to carry out any of the options to either refurbish or replace the pool. Technical officers have said that it is not feasible to carry out 'ad hoc' repairs to individual pieces of equipment as they break down.

There was a full discussion at the meeting of all the options, but members were united in the view that Maesteg must continue to have a pool - either the existing one or a new one.

Coun Phil Jenkins said that the town council should lead the fight. He said: "In my view, we should look for a new site."

"There are parking problems with the existing site. We have Llwyderw School becoming vacant, and there are other sites - including the new school."

He said that the risk was that the pool would close itself.

"The council is saying that it has no plans to close it but unless action is taken, it will close itself. If the filtration plant fails to meet health and safety standards, that will be it. There is no money available to do anything."

The meeting heard that the pool is used by all the local schools and it would not be feasible to bus them down to the new pool at Ynysawdre - assuming there were available slots for them to use.

Other members also pointed out that if the

pool closed, people without cars would have difficulty getting to Ynysawdre, because it is not on a direct bus route from Maesteg.

One member of the public at the meeting was Maureen Edwards of Commercial Street, who uses the pool almost every day.

She said: "I would be in a wheelchair now if it was not for that pool."

"I was advised by doctors to swim to stop my back from seizing up and I try to go every day."

"There are many other people there for health reasons. The government wants us all to stay fit and healthy, and

swimming is a fantastic way to keep your mobility. It's also good for children to get away from the TV and do something physical."

Mrs Edwards said she would be at the forefront of any fight to keep a pool in Maesteg.

"We must keep our pool and I believe that if they do replace it, it should be in situ. The site at Alfred Street is very accessible to everyone and people can walk there. If it was up on the mountain by the school, lots of people would not be able to get to it."

"This pool was put there by our fathers and grandfathers, and we as a town have managed to keep it during depression and war."

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Porthcawl Lifeguards named as 'Nipper Club of the Year'

WHAT a year for Porthcawl Life Guard Club - at the recent SLSA Wales Presentation Night on October 10, PLGC won the SLSA Wales Nipper Club of the Year award.

After a fantastic season, this accolade is a real feather in the cap for the club, who have worked so hard to support the growing number of youngsters who are joining.

Club secretary Karen Harris said: "Congratulations and many thanks to everyone for their commitment and support!"

Also receiving awards were Nicole Davenport, Humanitarian Award; Aaron Hughes, Humanitarian Award; Charlie Robbins, Certificate of Appreciation.

As the first voluntary lifesaving club in Wales, this achievement comes just as PLGC is getting ready to celebrate its 50th anniversary in style at a Black Tie dinner on November 7, and in the run-up to the club's own presentation night at the Hi-Tide on November 27 (tickets available from Karen).

To round off a special year, PLGC will be joining



Club captain Steph Davenport (left) receiving the award.

ing the Porthcawl community are invited Christmas Swim, and will be holding a beach clean at Sandy Bay at 12pm on Sunday, mail.com or 07975 December 20 - all in the 746237.

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WHY WE SHOULD HOLD THE LINE IN AN UNPOPULAR FOREIGN WAR

MY last GEM article was about the working of select committees, in particular the Defence Select Committee.

I pointed out that select committees could, and indeed do, sit while the House of Commons is in recess.

The Defence Select Committee was in Washington from October 4-8 for a variety of meetings in the Senate, House of Representatives, and the Pentagon. The visit was highly informative and useful, as Washington was awash with debates on the Obama administration's new approaches to the war in Afghanistan.

The first week back in the Commons had Afghanistan raised in PMQs, in a statement from the Prime Minister, and in a debate on the floor of the House the next day on defence

issues. Anyone who is interested can go to my website where they can read the debate in full.

This is some of what I had to say: "I cannot be the only Member who hears people asking why we are there (Afghanistan) and whether it is time we pulled out. We are there to end the safe haven provided to al-Qaeda and other terrorist organisations that threaten our freedom here in the west."

"The mission has not gone smoothly. The insurgents cannot defeat us militarily, but we can defeat ourselves. Uncertainty, and a lack of clarity, can dishearten our people and our allies, and embolden our foes."

"Expectations when we entered Afghanistan were not realistic. We expected the coalition forces to roll in and blow the Taliban away, so that they would subsequently vanish and the job would be done."

"The terrain in

Afghanistan is difficult – geographically and culturally. It is a unique tribal society with a culture vastly different from our own. There are numerous variations across the country, with ethnic, geographic and economic circumstances varying from one valley to the next."

"Many would say that, after 30 years of almost constant warfare, Afghanistan is a damaged society, in which many of the old tribal structures and relationships have also been damaged."

"After eight years, we have reached a new stage in the war in Afghanistan – a stage at which we need to focus on supporting and defending the population – instead of attacking and defeating the enemy."

"This means engaging, at political and community level, with the needs and priorities of the people of Afghanistan. That is no easy task."

"I welcome the

deployment of an additional 500 troops to Helmand, but we need a change of tactics. It is now time for counter-insurgency, and time for the Afghans to prepare to defeat the insurgency."

"This is no cheap or quick solution; it is a long, high-cost strategy. Let us remember the years Britain took to develop its civil institutions, its legal system and trust in the police and criminal justice system. People in Afghanistan want much the same things that people want everywhere: jobs, financial security, economic growth, clean water, access to education and health, and the confidence to live their lives knowing that their Government is working to tackle corruption and crime while building security and stability."

"To achieve this, we need rapidly to increase the size of the Afghan security forces."

"For many who support the Taliban, the main motivator is not

WESTMINSTER NOTEBOOK

Bridgend MP MADELEINE MOON is writing an exclusive monthly report from Westminster for The GEM.



ideology; it is hatred of the invader, inter-tribal conflict, revenge for military mistakes, or poverty and the opportunity to be fed and clothed."

"The insurgents in Afghanistan might not have the capacity to defeat the allies through traditional warfare, but they can prolong the conflict and exhaust our public with the cost in human lives and money."

"Our task is to close down their safe havens in neighbouring countries and cut down their access to international information and funds. We may not totally defeat the insurgents, but we can reduce their threat to the Government of Afghanistan."

"Following the recent elections in Afghanistan, there are clear shortfalls that will need addressing. President Karzai's credibility, and the level of corruption in his administration, must be addressed."

"Equally, however, we must not forget that tremendous progress has

been made in our eight years in Afghanistan: infrastructure has been developed, roads constructed, clean water provided, health care has become accessible and millions of girls now receive an education, boding well for the future."

"People ask me how we will know that we have succeeded. It is not Jeffersonian democracy, but a sort of modern-day Magna Carta that we must leave behind—a sovereign Government who uphold human rights and basic freedoms, respond to the demands of their people, impose limits on their power over citizens and respect an independent judiciary."

"Public support in the west will not remain indefinitely, and the support is edging away, day by day, at present."

"The cruel irony is that, in order to succeed, we need patience, discipline, resolve, time and humility."

LEFT:

Members of the British Defence Select Committee and their US counterparts. Included in the photograph are Senator Irvine, chair of the Armed Forces committee and Senator John McCain.



War driver recalls his days (and nights) at Bridgend Arsenal and black-out journeys

HIGH TIDE TIMES

(UNTIL OCTOBER 29)

The high tides listed in The GEM are those in Barry. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Porthcawl, the high point will be 15–20 minutes earlier.

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25 Sun	11.39	12.1	23.57	11.7
26 Mon			12.31	11.6
27 Tues	00.58	11.3	13.54	11.2
28 Wed	02.39	11.3	15.21	11.5
29 Thur	03.55	11.6	16.19	12.3

IN response to your report in The GEM (October 15) concerning the Bridgend Arsenal, I have some recollections.

Upon my discharge from the Welsh Guards during the war, after serving from 1936, I became employed at the ROF 53 Bridgend Arsenal. I was employed as a heavy goods and PSV driver, and during the period, various quantities of ammunition were transported from Bridgend to other

military establishments throughout the country during the black-out, and without the help of signposts at all hours of the day and night.

There were two garages in the Arsenal, one at the rear of what is now the police headquarters, which garaged light vehicles, and the other was at the Coychurch end of the factory which garaged lorries.

The late Mr Lewis Jones, who later opened a car spraying factory on the site, in his capacity examined me on an articulated bus for my PSV licence.

Employees came from various points in west Wales, and we all paid a standard charge of three shillings which was deducted from wages for our transport to work. A ticket for the following week was placed in the wages envelopes.

The housing estate where I now live was originally the site for bungalow-type accommodation built by the Ministry of Supply for Arsenal employees, and the rent for these properties was deducted from the inhabitants' wages.

The lorry drivers

were called upon at all hours to load what was produced at the Arsenal, and deliver to all parts of the country, very often delivering to the Woolwich Arsenal when the doodle bugs and rockets were coming over London!

So it is very fitting that the dangers experienced by civilians during the war is being recognised, and the phrase "that we were all in this together" was never more aptly used to describe the situation.

Mr OA Evans, Bryntirion, Bridgend

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Maesteg Town Council plans an allotment for the disabled

A SPECIAL allotment where disabled and visually impaired people can grow vegetables is to be set up in Maesteg.

A £9,200 grant from Maesteg Town Council will completely fund Phase 1 of the project, which is being promoted by the Bridgend and District Visual Impairment Society and the Bridgend County Allotment Association.

It will be the first garden of its kind in the borough.

The society approached the allotments group, which manages 10 allotment sites for the county borough council, to see if there was any suitable land that they could use.

"But with the demand for allotments soaring and waiting lists building up, there was nowhere we could offer other than a piece

of very overgrown land at our site in Garth," said secretary Linda Williams.

"It was only because this site was so overgrown that it had escaped being cultivated in the past. It was like a jungle but we have now had it cleared."

This site, adjoining the Bron Fair Allotment site at the top of Heol Faen, will now be developed into an allotment suitable for people with disabilities. It provides 400 sq metres of ground.

Linda explained: "Phase One includes laying all the paths, putting in 12 raised beds and installing a meeting hut where people can go if it rains. It will also have compost bins and water butts plus a patio area."

The ARC group in Bridgend and Every Link Counts, which help people with learning difficulties, are also involved with the

scheme.

"This project is not only about gardening and growing things but is also about the social and therapeutic benefits of getting involved," said Linda. "We hope to get all the work finished in time for the spring. It's not absolutely clear yet how it will work but people will probably work together to grow things and then will share the crops."

Phase one covers half the site and the group is grateful to the town council for paying for it all.

Linda added: "We did not think we would be able to do phase one all at once, but we now need more money to do phase two, which will include a plastic poly tunnel and a sensory garden. We are looking for another £9,000."

Anyone wishing to make a donation can contact Linda on 01656-735988.

PROTEST OVER END OF MAESTEG'S BUS LINK TO SWANSEA

MAESTEG Town Council is organising a petition against the withdrawal of the direct bus from the town to Swansea.

The X3 service was withdrawn on September 29 by First Cymru.

People wishing to travel to Swansea now have to catch a bus to Port Talbot and then change to a Swansea bus.

Coun Phil Jenkins said that people were taking up to two and a half hours to get home because of missed connections at Port Talbot.

"There is only one bus an hour to Port Talbot and we are calling for that to be increased to two," he said.

"Once an hour is not often enough to give people sufficient choice. If people miss the connection coming back

from Swansea, they have to wait an hour at Port Talbot bus station to get home."

Coun Jenkins pointed out that Maesteg has four buses an hour travelling to Bridgend.

"Some people are catching a bus to Bridgend and then catching the Swansea bus from there because it's quicker," he said. "But it means people are having to go well out of their way."

The council has also contacted Ogmere AM Janice Gregory to take up this issue.

Clerk Joan Fielding said that people had contacted her to say that the one bus that now goes to Port Talbot is often full, and residents of Bryn are unable to get on.

"There does not seem to be enough capacity to cope with all the passengers wishing to travel between Maesteg, Bryn,

Port Talbot and Swansea," she said.

The council has received a letter from First Cymru which states that it has reviewed all its services route by route, and it was found that the X3 service did not produce an acceptable commercial return.

The company said that the users of the service fell into two groups – those travelling from Maesteg to Port Talbot and those travelling between Port Talbot to Swansea.

The number of people travelling right through from Maesteg to Swansea did not justify continuing the service.

Mrs Gregory has been in touch with the council to say that the Welsh

Assembly Government has no power to direct an operator to maintain a service.

But the minister has asked Neath Port Talbot and Bridgend councils, who fund the free bus pass trips, to see if there will be any benefit to the company by splitting the service into two trips for which they will receive two payments.

Neath Port Talbot Council has also looked into it and has been in touch with First Cymru but the council says it has no power to force an operator to run a commercial service. Only the early morning and late evening services are subsidised by the authority

V2C Tenants are recognised at community awards night

TENANTS, residents, friends and staff of Valleys To Coast (V2C) recently attended its first Community Awards Gala Dinner at Bridgend Recreation Centre.



Winner of the Best Large Garden award, Mrs Walters of Heol-y-Cyw with V2C's chief executive Stephen Cook.

More than 90 guests attended the dinner, where musical entertainment was provided by local school children, and the winners of a range of community and gardening awards were celebrated.

Amanda Davies of North Cornelly, winner of the most innovative garden award, said: "I am so glad that I put the effort into my garden and that my hard work has been recognised and appreciated."

"I had a wonderful evening at the Gala Awards dinner and when I collected my prize, I felt like Joan Collins!"

Sarah Liney, organiser of the dinner, said: "It has been a privilege to be able to host V2C's first Community Awards Gala awards dinner for our competition entrants; the evening was a thank you to them and we're pleased it was such a success."

"We hope our second Community Awards Gala will be even bigger, and look forward to seeing everyone again next year."

Maesteg plans Christmas lights

THE Maesteg Christmas lights will be switched on in a ceremony to be held on Saturday, December 5, at 4.30pm, and the parade will leave the old Revlon factory at 3.45pm.

The Christmas fayre in the town hall will take place in the morning from 10am, and activities on the day will include the Father Christmas grotto in the town hall after the parade. This will be followed by a disco for children and their families.

A request will also be made by the town council that traditional carols and Christmas music be played by the Round Table, which stages a disco outside the town hall in the run up to the parade.

Maesteg market traders are also hoping to raise £1,000 to pay for Christmas lights inside the market.

Heart charity seek volunteers

THE British Heart Foundation (BHF) is looking for new volunteers to form a group in the Bridgend area.

Glenda Meakin, of BHF, said: "We would be grateful for any help and would like to form a new group so that we can organise some exciting local events and raise money for an important cause. If read-

ers have a few hours a month to spare, we would be really glad of their support to help beat Wales' biggest killer – heart disease."

If anyone is interested in knowing more on how they can get involved in volunteering, please contact Glenda Meakin, fundraising volunteer manager on 029 2089 0148/07718 638158 or email meaking@bhf.org.uk.

PORTHCAWL NEWS IN BRIEF

THE prize of £150 for the winning float at this year's carnival, which went to Porthcawl Town Council, is to be donated to Porthcawl RNLI which is one of the mayor's chosen charities.

PROBLEMS with litter at Porthcawl RFC ground following the carnival, which were raised by John Pearman of Porthcawl RFC, will be tackled prior to next year's event. Porthcawl Town Council has delegated Coun Barbara Stubbs to liaise with the club.

PROBLEM with fly tipping at the former recycling bin site at Porthcawl RFC have reduced, Coun Barbara Stubbs told members of Porthcawl Town Council.

The council received a letter from residents of the Forty Acre Estate concerned about the problem. The recycling bins have now been moved to a different site at

the club and she said that Allan Thomas, the council's handyman, had done great work clearing and strimming the area.

THE Christmas lights in Porthcawl will be switched on on Saturday, November 28.

Entertainment will be provided by a number of different groups. Invitations are being issued to Porthcawl Comprehensive School choir, Porthcawl Male Voice Choir, BCBC young jazz band, Charlotte Hatcher, finalist in the 'Can You Sing?' competition; the choir Allegro and Shenanigans. Elvis may also make an appearance along with that other mystical figure Father Christmas.

There will be a lantern parade from Trinity Church.

Lindsay Morgan of the Chamber of Trade suggested an Edwardian theme and this has been agreed. People will have to provide their own costumes.

The lights will be switched on

at 5pm by Rob Wilford (Stacey's brother in Gavin and Stacey). Bridge FM will also be in attendance to provide music. Entertainment will be provided throughout the afternoon.

PORTHCAWL Town Council is to consider providing stand-alone automatic toilets to locate on the promenade. The costs are being investigated.

BRIDGEND County Borough Council is to be asked by Porthcawl Town Council to replace the bus shelter at Heol y Goedwig, which is in a poor condition.

A LIST of benches and seats that need repair is to be drawn up by Porthcawl Town Council so that their handyman can repair them.

The council received a complaint from Mrs J Harvey, who owns a caravan in Happy Valley, about the state of some of the seating in the town.

£5,000 to fund school study

THE Caerau Development Trust has received £5,000 from Maesteg Town Council to fund a feasibility study into the future use of Blaenllynfi Infants School.

The school is being vacated by pupils once they move into the new Caerau Primary School, which is nearing completion.

The trust is interested in taking over the old school to provide community facilities but needs a feasibility study to see whether or not the project is viable.

The council has agreed to foot the bill for the entire cost of the study, although some members complained that Caerau is getting the lion's share of funding from the council and felt a smaller sum should be donated.

Remembrance service event

THE Porthcawl branch of the Royal British Legion will hold the annual Armistice Remembrance Service on Sunday, November 8, at 10.30am, at All Saints Church, Victoria Avenue.

Coun D Newton-Williams, branch chairman said: "All townspeople, religious denominations and other organisations are invited to attend this Armistice service, and we especially invite

those organisations who have a flag or colours to take part in the service."

"There will be no parade, but decorations will be worn. Please note that refreshments will be served in the church hall, following the laying of wreaths."

"There will also be a two-minute silence at the Bandstand, John Street, Porthcawl, on Wednesday, November 11, from 10.30am."

For further information, contact the Town Council Offices on 01656 782215.

Choir sings at charity concert

SINCE its successful annual concert, when Bridgend Male Choir was delighted to welcome Welsh National Opera soprano, Ros Evans, choristers have continued to do what makes them happy by carrying on singing for pleasure.

A visit to the Playhouse Theatre at Weston-Super-Mare saw the choir perform to a Sunday afternoon audience, which enjoyed an appropriate musical content to remind everyone of the yesteryear of seaside entertainment.

The performance was enhanced with wizardry on piano by Richard Baker, whose electric style drew warm applause.

On then to a post dinner engagement for the English Speaking Union at the Angel Hotel, Cardiff. An international audience enjoyed its introduction to Wales – known throughout the world as the Land of Song. Many friends were made which may well result in further singing engagements.

A local wedding at Bridgend's Tabernacl Church preceded a concert supporting local charity, the Chloe

Bigmores Trust.

Bryntirion Comprehensive School was the venue for this worthy cause which has raised as much as £25,000 since being set up just a short 18 months ago.

Chloe's short but happy life is still remembered well at the school and in the community, as witnessed by the good public turnout and quality of local youngsters participating.

Choristers of Bridgend Male Choir were delighted to appear with both the school choir and its woodwind band.

Particular praise must also be given to two sets of sisters, Mari and Lowri Izzard entertained with their upbeat content, as did the Thalaysingam girls, Lucy, Samantha and Sarah whose harmonies were of the highest order. Sian Phillips' saxophone solo was also well received.

How wonderful to hear such local talent continuing the borough's sound music traditions.

Bridgend Male Choir's next concert is at Goytre in Gwent on Friday, November 6. Full details of the choir's engagements appear on its website www.bridgendmale-choir.co.uk

DAVID T BURT

What's happening in Maesteg

THE Red dragon of Wales will soon be fluttering proudly over Maesteg Town Council offices.

The council had received complaints about the tattered state of its old flag and has agreed to buy a new one, which will be put in place by contractors. **DAFFODIL bulbs are to be planted by residents of Goodwin**

Street who want to enhance the area following a clean up under the Tidy Towns initiative.

The town council has agreed to donate a sack of bulbs. They are being given 10 free sacks by Bryncethin Nurseries, which provides the hanging baskets in the town.

MAESTEG town council is to ask Bridgend County Borough

Council to consider taking over the enforcement of parking laws in the borough.

Councillors are angry that the traffic warden has been removed and are arguing that the issue of enforcement should be removed from police and given to the council, which will fund it from parking fines.

MAESTEG Town Council is to press BCBC to provide a

pavement along Crown Road and Cemetery Road as this route is used by children walking to the new comprehensive school. There is no pavement on either side of the road.

The town council has attempted to provide one but is still awaiting clarification from BCBC on issues of land ownership.

LLANTRISANT TEENAGER WINS THE INAUGURAL COYTRAHEN TALENT SHOW

THE final round in the 'Coytrahen's got talent' competition was recently held at the community centre.

The nine acts were all of an excellent standard, making the judging process very difficult.

However, there could only be three prize-winners and they went to local young singers.

In third place was 15-year-old Jade Baker from Pencoed, who won a £50 gift voucher, donated by the Musicstation in Bridgend.

Second place went to 15-year-old

Naomi Hyatt-Golding from Port Talbot, who took away a 22" lcd TV donated by Motortrade direct in Tondur.

The top spot (and the cash prize of £200), sponsored by Toyota World in Bridgend, went to 16-year-old Jay Worley from Llantrisant, who also won a three-hour recording session at Shabbey Road studios in Caerphilly, donated by the studio itself.

The event was voted a huge success under the compering and organisational skills of Ricky D.



ABOVE: Mein host Ricky D.

30-YEAR WAIT IS OVER FOR SCHOOL At last! Abercerdin school pupils get their kitchen

FOR the first time in 30 years, pupils at Abercerdin Primary School in Bridgend county borough are enjoying school dinners which have been freshly-cooked on site, following the opening of a new kitchen.

Previously, food was made at a neighbouring school and shipped across to Abercerdin Primary in thermo-protective boxes.

The new kitchen means that the school can now provide pupils with hot meals which have been cooked on the premises by a team of qualified staff.

The layout of the new kitchen also means that the meals can be served in the main school hall. This is good news for pupils, as the old arrangement meant that they had to form a dinner queue outside the main school building.

Funded by Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) and the Welsh Assembly Government's 'Appetite for Life' scheme, the new kitchen was constructed during the school summer holidays

in time for the children to return for the autumn term.

Coun Alan Davies, the cabinet member for children and young people said: "While every effort has been made to provide children at Abercerdin Primary with high-quality school meals in the past, this new school kitchen will allow meals to be freshly-made and cooked on the premises for the first time."

"It is an important step forward for the school, one that will give children the opportunity of enjoying a hot, meal with an emphasis on healthy eating."

A BCBC spokesman said: "Primary school meals in Bridgend county borough consist of a two-course meal and a cold drink. Menus are run on three-week rotational cycles to ensure children have a varied, well-balanced diet. "The majority of ingredients used in school meals contain reduced saturated fat, salt and sugar levels."

"All food is oven baked or steamed, with the exception of chips, which are served once a week".



Trevor Guy from Bridgend County Borough Council's children's directorate.

MP supports new curb on smoking

BRIDGEND MP Madeleine Moon has spoken in a Health Bill debate in Parliament supporting a backbench amendment to outlaw cigarette vending machines in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

She highlighted a petition she had received from the Porthcawl branch of Cancer Research UK, indicating the strong feeling that people locally wanted the removal of tobacco advertising displays from shops.

The amendment was subsequently passed by the Commons without a vote being needed. Afterwards she said: "The tobacco industry constantly recruits young people to replace those who give up smoking or die each year. This ban will help to stop new generations taking up smoking."

"This is the most significant step forward in public health since the ban on smoking in public places".



ABOVE: The competitors at 'Coytrahen's got talent'.

News from Litchard Primary School

CASH BOOST FOR SCHOOL!

WORKSHOPS
THANK YOU to Mr John Richards, who came into school recently to do a workshop for year-4 children about the Stuarts.

The children learned all about life in Stuart times and were able to look at all the interesting artefacts and information that Mr Richards brought in.

Recently Mr Hill and his Knex Workshop visited, when year-5 took part in a fairground building workshop. The pupils designed and built a fairground ride operated with a motor, which was great fun.

We would like to say a big thank you to parents for their voluntary contributions towards these workshops.

The two year-5 classes are studying the Victorians, and Mr John Richards came into school to do a Victorian workshop.

The children had the opportunity to learn and examine Victorian artefacts and even had the chance to write with the ink pens that were used in the Victorian era.

BIG PIT
YEAR-5 children have also been on a visit to The Big Pit at Blaenavon

recently.

The children were able to experience first hand what mining conditions were like, when they did the underground tour, followed by a tour of the surface mine and the museum.

A great day was had by all, and some of the children returned home looking like coal miners!!

HARVEST FESTIVAL

THE children of the junior department visited the Mission Church, where they performed a special assembly of songs and poems to celebrate Harvest.

We would like to thank everybody who brought in a donation of tinned or dried food. These items are to be distributed to a food bank for people in need.

SUPER GYMNASTS
CONGRATULATIONS to Zoë Mountjoy 5C, who won a silver medal recently as part of the Bridgend YMCA gymnastic club team in a competition held at Swansea Gymnastics Club.

Keep up the good work, Zoë!
Congratulations also to Samantha Meadows

5M, who is a member of Bridgend Recreation Centre gymnastic club, and has just completed her British gymnastic awards levels 1-8.

COFFEE MORNING

A BIG thank you to everyone who attended the coffee morning on Thursday.

The children entertained with a selection of songs and poems all about harvest. A grand total of £75 was raised for the Macmillan cancer charity.

PINK PRIDE!

IT was lovely to see so many of the children (and staff!) wearing pink today in aid of the Macmillan charity.

Thank you to everyone who gave a donation for this charity and to Mrs. Cook for her delicious pink cakes.

AEROBIC GYMNASTICS

WELL done to our talented aerobic gymnasts Abbie Davies 6S and Ellie Butcher 6R, who both competed in the 2009 British Aerobic Championships in Stoke-on-Trent.

Abbie competed in the National Development NAC category and despite being ill all week, did a lovely routine, just missing out on a medal by coming fourth out of 17. Ellie competed in the

FIG category and came ninth out of 16 with her super routine. Keep up the good work, girls!

NETBALL NEWS

THE three netball teams from year-6 played away matches at Pen-Y-Fai Primary School.

The 'A' team won 13-0, the 'B' team won 14-0 and the 'C' team played two matches, drawing the first match 3-3 and winning the second match 8-0.

CHILDREN IN NEED

WE will be celebrating 'Children in Need' day on November 20.

The theme is 'Do Something Different'. Details to follow.

INFANT DEPARTMENT

WELL DONE to Kieran Chalmers from year-2 who has not only received his Stage-4 Swimming Award but has also achieved Levels 5 and 6 of his gym proficiency award!

DUCKLING AWARDS

DECLAN WAAGENES from year-1 has been awarded the Duckling 3 award for swimming.

Cerys Thomas and Adil Miah from Mrs. Parslow's class have both received their Ducklings 3 and 4 awards.

AT the recent meeting, president, Joy Brooking, reminded members the autumn council meeting is October 26, at Barry Memorial Hall, when the guest speaker is food-writer, chef and broadcaster, Angela Gray.

Margaret Edwards and Jill Rosser are joining Miskin & Mwyndy WI for their diamond birthday celebrations on October 16.

Dates for the diary were given out: Lunch

LLANHARRY WI NEWS

Club is to meet on October 23 at The Penny Farthing, Llantrisant; Christmas Extravaganza Day at St David's Hall on November 23; Christmas Dinner - December 1. Christmas group social at Ystradowen Hall, December 2.

Speaker for the evening was Mrs Beryl Ruddock from Dinas Powys, who told us what life is like as a vicar's wife. She has been a vicar's wife for 30 years and was previously a comprehensive teacher. Beryl shared

her experiences with us, emphasising that one of the important ingredients is to have a sense of humour.

Refreshments, provided by Doreen Jobbins and Margaret Howells, were enjoyed by all.

The competition (the prettiest tea towel) attracted huge entries, and was won by Rita Butt.

Members meet on November 3, for the annual meeting and Shena Sarjeant will guide them through the correct procedure.

Police target Wildmill in drugs operation

A COMBINED operation involving the Bridgend Neighbourhood Policing Team, the police helicopter, and mounted officers, has been hailed as a success by South Wales Police.

"Operation Atom" was coordinated by Bridgend NPT Sergeant Mark Watkins and was split into two phases: firstly to target the misuse of controlled drugs in the Wildmill area of Bridgend, and then to provide reassurance to the law abiding residents in the community.

In the first phase, 44 officers simultaneously executed warrants at various addresses in the area. Several arrests were made.

The operation resulted in six arrests for various

offences, including the supply of heroin, theft, and driving while disqualified. Class 'A', 'B' and 'C' drugs were recovered as well as suspected stolen property, including three motor vehicles.

Bridgend Sector Commander, Inspector Jay Winslade-Gregory said: "Tackling drugs is a PACT priority for Wildmill."

"If you have a local problem that you would like us to address in your community, either come along to your next PACT meeting or get in touch with your local community officer."

County Borough Councillor for the Morfa Ward Peter Foley said: "I thoroughly applaud the action taken by South Wales Police, which has already greatly reassured residents in Wildmill."

Text alerts help to boost RNLI funds

LOCAL residents can now receive a text message to their mobile phones every time their local lifeboat goes out - and help boost RNLI funds.

"The SMS alerts are triggered by the same pager system that notifies the lifeboat's volunteer crew members," Porthcawl RNLI spokesman Ian Stroud explained.

"This means that people who sign up to the service will know exactly when their local lifesavers have been called out."

"However, unlike the crew members who can be summoned at any time, day or night, subscribers to the service can decide when they'd like to receive alerts, and set a limit on how many messages they receive."

"A portion of the fee will go to the RNLI, so not only do the alerts keep local people informed, they are also contributing to the real cost of the lifeboat launch," he added.

In order to sign up for the alerts go to www.rnli.org.uk/sms-launch-alerts.

PORTHCAWL GUIDES MAKE A SUNNY START TO THEIR CENTENARY YEAR



ABOVE:

Representatives of the 11 Girlguiding units in Porthcawl assembled at Cosy Corner for the march under the leadership of Donna Jacka, Girlguiding Commissioner for Porthcawl.

PHOTOGRAPHS by KEITH E MORGAN

As a start to its centenary celebrations, Porthcawl Girlguiding recently organised a march through the town.

This was the first of a number of events celebrating the centenary to be carried out throughout the year.

There was a very good turn-out of all 11 of the town's units. Included in the march were: Porthcawl Rangers (girls 14-25); Trinity Guides and Nottage Guides (girls 10-14); Trinity Brownies, Nottage Brownies, Porthcawl Brownies, Newton Brownies (girls 7-10); Trinity Rainbows, Nottage Rainbows, Porthcawl Rainbows, Newton Rainbows (girls 5-7).

The Rangers meet once a fortnight at Trinity Church, with the other 10 units meeting on different evenings on a weekly basis throughout the school year.

Bridgend MP Madeleine Moon was there, and when Parliament resumed

sitting, she asked the Prime Minister to comment on the Guiding movement.

She said: "Last Saturday, I was joined by the Porthcawl Guides to celebrate 100 years of Guiding. A year's celebration is taking place throughout the world to celebrate that wonderful movement."

"Will the Prime Minister join me in sending congratulations to the Porthcawl Guides, to all Guides who have taken part in the movement over the past 100 years and to those men and women who have supported Guiding throughout that period?"

Gordon Brown replied: "I think that all parts of the House will want to congratulate the Guides on 100 years of service to our country, and congratulate those officers and leaders of the Guides who have done so much to encourage young people and young women, in particular, to make sure that they can make a very big contribution to the community."

"Our best wishes go to the Guides on their 100th anniversary."



ABOVE:

The brains behind the operation!

RIGHT:

The Mayor of Porthcawl, Coun Rosemary Deere, joining a group of Brownies and Rainbows who had been making up bunting decorations.



LEFT:

Madeleine Moon MP gets stuck in with a group of Guides doing their bit making decorations.



LEFT:

The Mayor's Consort, Coun David Deere, with police escort PCSOs Holly Prosser and Carl Westgate.



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NEXT SHOW IS IN THE PIPELINE FOR PAODS

PAODS members have enjoyed their short break since the successful production of *Calamity Jane* and, more recently, *Broadway Meets Hollywood*, and will be renewing their memberships of the society in November.

They will then begin work on their next production,

Barry Manilow's *Copacabana*, which will take to the stage of the Grand Pavilion from Wednesday, April 28, to Saturday, May 1, 2010.

At the recent AGM, society stalwart Nigel Lewis-Davidson was elected as chairman, with Andrew Morgan taking over as secretary.

A spokesman said: "PAODS would like to thank all who attend

their shows and ask for continued support. It costs somewhere in the region of £20,000 to stage a full production and, as an amateur company, we rely heavily on good ticket sales as our major source of income.

"As a non-profit making organisation, we try our hardest to keep ticket prices as low as possible but, as everywhere, costs of scenery and costume hire are rising.

"We are always seeking alternative methods of generating income throughout the year. Anyone wishing to discuss sponsorship can contact the secretary, Andrew Morgan on 07947 594578."

Anyone interested in becoming a member, either in an acting or backstage function, is also asked to contact the secretary.

Christmas delicacies

At the October meeting, members were pleased to welcome Mrs Kath Mephram, the WI cookery instructor at Denman College.

She showed us how easy it is to make delicious and unusual delicacies for Christmas.

We were treated to 'Spiced Sugar Nuts', 'Prunes in Cognac' and 'Cranberry Apple and

MYNYDD CYNFFIG WI NEWS

Red Currant Sauce' – all prepared before our very eyes, reminding us that the festive season is not too far away!

After a break for refreshments, the business part of the afternoon followed.

Plans were made and transport arrangements announced for visits to the half-yearly council meeting to be held at Barry Memorial Hall on

October 23, and to the 'Deck The Hall Day' on November 23 at St David's Hall, Cardiff.

Many of our members are looking forward to attending both events.

Our next meeting will be the AGM on November 10 at Pishgah Chapel Vestry, Kenfig Hill.

MARJORIE GOODE

Christmas fayre

THE PTA of Porthcawl Primary School, Meadow Lane, will be holding its Christmas fayre on Saturday, December 5, from 12pm-3pm.

There will be a bouncy castle, face painting, stalls and a visit from a very special person.

Anyone interested in having a stall should contact Annette on 01656 788554.

NEWS FROM ST DAVID'S CHURCH IN WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL, COLWINSTON

Pupils take a day to focus on teamwork



ABOVE: Children were encouraged to wear outfits which showed the teams they were a member of outside school.

PUPILS from St David's recently held a 'Super Learning Day'.

The focus of the day was to teach the children the importance of team work. Children had a day off timetable to take part in workshops which encouraged them to think about the skills needed for effective team work.

During the day, the children worked in mixed age groups on collaborative art work, skipping activities, debating groups and activities to promote good listening skills.

Instead of wearing normal school uniform, the children wore uniforms from teams they are members of outside school. This was an excellent way of promoting after school clubs and activities available to the children.

Both teaching staff and pupils had a fantastic team-building day!

Harvest festival

CHILDREN of St David's Primary School celebrated Harvest by holding a special service, which



Year-3 children danced the 'Harvest Samba'.

was written and led by the year-6 pupils and each class performed a song, drama or poem.

The reception children performed *Jingle Jangle Scarecrow* and had their very own scarecrow!

The year-3 pupils performed a very lively 'harvest samba' with dancing and singing.

Year-5 pupils dramatised *The Enormous Turnip*.

All donations from the service were given to the Salvation Army.

RIGHT: A reception pupil dressed as a scarecrow for their 'Jingle Jangle Scarecrow'.



Bridgend Ty Hafan's fun run – it will all be in a good Claus!

TV presenters Lucy and Rhodri Owen, and their own little Santa, paid a visit to Ty Hafan this week to join the children and carers in a warm-up for the Bridgend Santa Run, due to take place Saturday, December 12 at 5.30pm.

Following the huge success of the event in 2008, Ty Hafan, the family hospice for young lives, is taking Santa on the run again this year for a fun-filled festive fundraiser.

Entrants can walk, jog or run the 2km route, which will take up to 500 Santas along a two-lap route around the town beneath the sparkling Christmas lights.

All entrants will receive a free Santa suit to run in on the day, and anyone raising £35 or

more in sponsorship will also receive a commemorative souvenir. Bottled water for the event has been kindly donated by Brecon Carreg.

Entry is £5 for children, £7.50 for adults and £20 for a family of four.

Entry forms can be downloaded from

www.tyhafan.org or by calling Alan Drury on 02920 672060.

Ty Hafan offers comfort, care and support to life-limited children, young people and their families from across Wales, helping them make the most of the time they have left together.

PACT MEETINGS IN BRIDGEND

LITCHARD AND PENDRE WARDS, Coity Higher Community Centre, October 29, 6pm.

PENCOED (Felindre, Hendre and Penprysg wards, Pencoed Welfare Hall, November 11, 7pm.

MORFA - Wildmill Community Centre, November 12, 6.30pm.

COITY, Gilead Chapel Hall, Coity, November 19, 7pm.

OLDCASTLE, the library, Brynteg Lower School, December 16, 6.30pm.

For details of forthcoming PACT meetings and 1 Neighbourhood Policing news, log onto www.ourbobby.com.

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Porthcawl museum is officially recognised



ABOVE:

Porthcawl Museum recently received the accolade of being accredited to CYMAL – the Council for Museums, Archives and Libraries in the UK.

The formal presentation was made last Friday (October 16) by Carolyn Charles BA, the curator of the National Museum of Wales Collections at Nantgarw, who helped Porthcawl Museum through the formalities of the application. Gwyn Petty is seen receiving the accreditation, watched by John David (left) and the deputy mayor of Bridgend County Borough, Coun Colin Teesdale and his wife Gloria. (Photograph by Malcolm Nugent).

Minister looks at Bridgend mental health services

WELSH Local Government Minister Dr Brian Gibbons recently paid a visit to Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) to discuss a new mental health initiative.

Around a quarter of all people will suffer poor mental health at some time in their life, and in Bridgend county borough, the council works in partnership with Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board to offer a service called Assisting Recovery in the Community (ARC).

ARC provides help and structured support for adults with mental health



issues and Dr Gibbons was able to meet a number of service-users and talk to them about the service they receive.

The ARC team cur-

rently operates from the Ty'r Ardd centre in Sunnyside, Bridgend, but will shortly move to a new £2m mental health centre in the town centre. Funding is being provided by the Welsh Assembly Government.

Based in Bridgend town centre between Quarella Road and Mackworth Street, the new ARC building will provide a purpose-built facility for the team and will continue to help local adults with mental health issues by providing structured support and activities that are based in the wider community.

These range from crafts, bowling, cinema trips, golf and fishing, to college courses, training, volunteering and employment opportunities.

ABOVE:
Dr Gibbons chats to service users and Coun Lyn Morgan about the new £2m ARC centre.

ARC has also received a prestigious NHS Wales Award 2008 in the 'Citizens at the Centre of Service Design and Delivery' category.

Coun Lyn Morgan, cabinet member for well-being, said: "It was fantastic to show the Minister the good work that is being done by the dedicated members of the ARC team."

"I hope he will make a return visit when our new ARC building opens later this year."

Cornish choir to sing for charity

THE Mount's Bay Singers from Penzance, Cornwall, will be joining forces with local Cowbridge Choir, Cor Meibion Y Machlud, in a special charity concert to be held in Cowbridge Town Hall on Wednesday, October 28 at 7.30pm.

In aid of Cancer Research, the concert will feature two young soloists, Laura Nicholas from Cornwall, and Josh Lewis from South Wales. The mixed-voice choir from Cornwall will combine with the male voices

of Cor Meibion Y Machlud for some of the programme.

The Cornish choir is on a short tour of south Wales and has been busy learning some Welsh language items, so that they can entertain the audience with some traditional songs.

Their music director, Sheila Farmer, has some strong Welsh connections and is looking forward to her visit. The 30-strong group also intend to carry out some sightseeing. For many, it will be their first visit to Cowbridge.

Tickets are still available from D Brown and Son, Eastgate, Cowbridge, 01446 774490 at £5 (concessions £4). RK

Elvis remembers

THIS year's Poppy Appeal will be launched in Porthcawl with a concert in All Saints Church this Saturday, October 24, at 7pm.

Porthcawl's Elvis, Dave Smith, will contribute to the concert as GI Elvis.

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College celebrates inspectors' report



LEFT (left to right): Carwyn Jones AM, John Graystone (chief executive, Jforwm), Gwen Parry (director, DCELLS), William Goldsworthy (chair of governors, Bridgend College), Mark Jones (principal, Bridgend College) and Mike Hopkins (DCELLS).

BRIDGEND College staff, governors and invited guests were at the Coed y Mwstwr Hotel to celebrate the "outstanding" results achieved in their recent Estyn inspection, with a key note address by Bridgend AM Carwyn Jones.

In April 2009, a team of 30 Estyn inspectors arrived to assess eight learning areas, as well as the seven 'key questions' within the common inspection framework.

The college was awarded 10 Grade Ones and five Grade Twos, one of the highest set of grades ever awarded to a Further Education College in Wales (or

England).

A college spokeswoman said: "Bridgend College is also one of only four colleges in Wales to achieve Grade Ones for the two most important key questions, one and two."

"In relation to key question one: 'How well do learners achieve?', 94 per cent of the classroom observations by the inspection teams

were judged to be either Grade One or Grade Two."

"In relation to key question two: 'How effective are teaching, training and assessment?', 37 per cent of the observations undertaken by the inspection teams were judged to be Grade O. This is the second-best result ever achieved, across the FE sector in Wales."

Mark Jones, the college principal, said: "As a result of these grades being awarded, the college now stands at the forefront of education and training in Wales."

"While these results are due recognition of both staff and students' commitment and dedication, they also act as aspirational targets for both current and future students. Bridgend College is now clearly a real 'high quality' option for all prospective students, parents and partners to consider."



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Disabled woman claims she can't get ambulance home – IT IS EITHER BOTH WAYS OR NOT AT ALL!

A DISABLED woman has claimed she was refused an ambulance to bring her home from a hospital check up, and says she was told she could only have an ambulance both ways – or not at all.

The woman, who lives in the Vale, rang to book an ambulance to bring her home from Rookwood Hospital in Cardiff, where she was due to see her consultant and have a scan. Her husband was due to drive her to the hospital but was unable to stay.

The woman, who does not wish to be named, was shocked to be told that it was not ambulance policy to

arrange a return trip only. She would either have to book an ambulance for both ways or find her own way home!

This was, ironically, after previous treatments were missed because the ambulance did not arrive on time.

The case has been taken up by the Conservative parliamentary candidate Alun Cairns, who explained: "The lady in question had already missed two appointments for treatment because the ambulances turned up too late to take her."

"She was naturally anxious not to miss her appointment with the consultant, and did not want to risk going in by ambulance. This was partly why she wanted her husband take her."

"I am staggered at what she was told and will be questioning the Welsh Ambulance Trust to find out if this policy does exist. If so, it is high time it was altered."

"This lady cannot just be abandoned at the hospital. She has a right to be taken home and it is saving the ambulance service one leg of the trip."

Mr Cairns has been in touch with the chief executive of the Ambulance Trust in north Wales.

He said: "We need to get to the bottom of this."

"The Vale already has some abysmal response times for emergency ambulances, and now we have this problem with the hospital transport arrangements."

"I am keen to find out

if any other patient has been in a similar position where they must book two journeys rather than one."

"It all seems to be a complete waste of money to me. I would urge anyone who has encountered this before to contact me with the details."

The GEM put Mr Cairns' information that ambulances had to be booked for both ways to the Welsh Ambulance Service, but it did not confirm whether this was standard procedure or not.

A spokesman for the service responded: "We are unable to comment on individual cases but if the patient or her family wish to contact us we are happy to discuss it directly with them."

Cornelly Art Wall aims to prevent traffic problems

RIGHT: The Cornelly Generations jazz band.

AN art wall, created with the help of Bridgend school children and local residents, was unveiled on Wednesday, October 14, as the first stage of a community-led scheme to clamp down on speeding traffic and parking problems.

Neighbours in Heol Degwm, North Cornelly, celebrated the installation of the 6ft-high wall, by Welsh artist David Mackie, by decorating it in tea lights, setting off sky lanterns and dancing to music by Cornelly Generations Jazz Band.

The Mayor of Bridgend, Coun Jeff Tildesley, unveiled the entrance, which is themed on the area's old Tythe Barn, and is intended to brighten up the street and warn motorists they are entering a residential area.

Further road changes will take place in Heol Degwm next year, including a new parking layout to prevent parked cars churning up the grass verges.

Residents are making their street changes with support from a partnership of Valleys to Coast Housing (who are funding the improvement work), Bridgend County Borough Council and sustainable transport charity Sustrans, who set up the 'DIY Streets' pilot project.

DIY Street project officer Mo McManus said: "Heol Degwm has plenty of green space but its speeding and parking problems have prompted children to go indoors, and adults to spend less time out on their street

chatting to neighbours."

"This new artwork is just the first stage in this community's attempts to regain ownership of their

street, and I'm sure their enthusiasm will make Heol Degwm a safer and more attractive place to live."



ABOVE:

Toasting the new art wall that will hopefully lead to fewer speeding and parking problems.

Future of pool under threat

(Continued from page 1)

Another regular user is Cheryl Evans of Golden Terrace, who suffers from osteoporosis.

She explained: "I swim as often as I can and it makes a huge difference to my health."

"We all have to fight within the valley to keep our pool. We initially provided it ourselves and now it needs replacement, the money must be found. We are all council taxpayers."

The meeting heard that a second survey of the pool is being carried out at present and this will be available next week. A second special meeting of the council will be called to discuss this, and then the council will decide what action to take.

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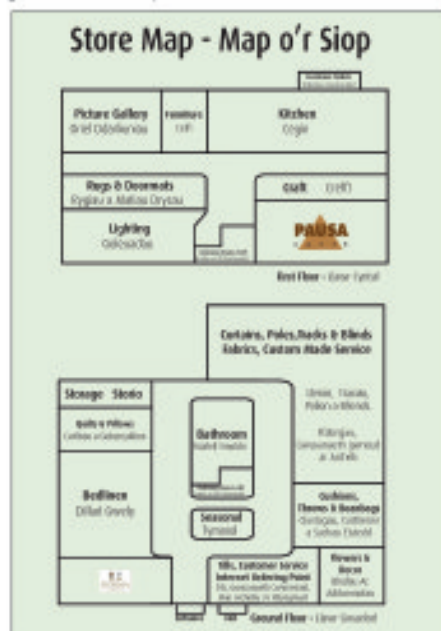


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Hallowe'en party for the youngsters of Pencoed town



ABOVE:
PC Sam Beaumont (left) and PCSO Lauren Dillon, putting up a poster advertising the Hallowe'en Party at Pencoed Welfare Hall.

IN collaboration with Safer Bridgend, the neighbourhood policing team for Pencoed has put together a special Hallowe'en event for the young people of the town which will feature fancy dress competitions, live music, a 'DJ' and lots of traditional Hallowe'en games.

PC Sam Beaumont and her colleagues PCSOs Lauren Dillon and Meurig Coleman have been planning the event for several weeks.

It will be held at Pencoed Welfare Hall and be open to all ages.

PC Beaumont said: "The evening will be split into two parts. Between 6pm-7.30pm younger children, under the age of 10 years, will be able to come along, hopefully in fancy dress and we will have food, games and lots of face painting. Then, after 7.30pm we will be welcoming older children for the rest of the evening.

"We are very fortunate to have a number of volunteers to help us both in the preparation and throughout the evening and we are very

grateful to all of them."

The event takes place on Saturday, October 31, between 6pm-7.30pm and then 7.30pm-10pm. Fancy dress is optional but there is a prize for best costume.

PCSO Lauren Dillon added: "Hallowe'en traditionally sees an increase in anti-social behaviour on the streets of Pencoed. This event provides an opportunity for young people to take part in Hallowe'en celebrations in a safe and trouble free environment."

Entry costs just 50p and all money raised will go to the charity Help for Heroes.

ST ATHAN MAN'S DAREDEVIL CHALLENGE Alun's 12,000 foot skydive for Y Bont Centre, Bridgend

by TIM CHAPMAN

VALE dad Alun Williams turned daredevil to raise funds for the Y Bont centre in Bridgend which helps to care for his little daughter Elis.

Alun, who lives in St Athan with his wife Vikki, told The GEM: "I wanted to support the centre because my daughter goes there and they do great work to help families who have children with disabilities.

"So far I have been able to donate £1,400 and there is still money to come in."

Elis was born last October with a genet-

ic anomaly called CHARGE syndrome and is severely handicapped. She attends the Y Bont Centre regularly.

Alun travelled to an airfield in Cirencester to do the skydive and was fortunate to be there on a perfect day.

"It was beautiful. Very clear - you could almost see as far as the Severn Bridge - and the wind was only a couple of miles an hour.

"At 12,000 feet, the door of the plane opened and I began to feel nervous.

"I was hanging outside on the harness!" Alun was accompa-

nied during the skydive by an instructor.

"We rocked back and forth a couple of times and then went out.

"We did a few somersaults - it was the biggest rush I've ever had. Absolutely surreal.

"We were in freefall for about 40 seconds, but it felt like a split second.

"At about 7,000 feet we opened the parachute.

"The deceleration gives you a big jolt. You go from 140mph

to just 40mph.

"I even got a bit of bruising from the harness on my shoulders."

For Alun's wife Vikki, who was watching on the ground, it was a relief when the 'chute opened.

Alun explained: "Vikki was watching this black speck in the sky in freefall and kept wondering when the parachute would open. It was a bit nail-biting for her."

As you can see from Alun's pictures of the day, he was reunited with Vikki on terra firma.

Alun added: "If

someone is tempted to do a skydive for charity I'd say do it.

"It is an experience you will never forget."

● If anyone would like to support Alun by sponsoring his skydive they can still do so by going to www.justgiving.com/alunwilliams3

Y Bont can be contacted at Ewenny Road, Bridgend, CF31 3HT; telephone: 01656 646013, Fax: 01656 646866. E-mail: ybont@hotmail.com Donations to Y Bont may be made by going to justgiving.com and type in y-bont - it will take you to their page.



ABOVE: (left to right) Alun and the instructor leap from the plane; in freefall Alun reached speeds of 140mph; at the end of skydive he was met by a relieved Vikki, his wife, and commented: "It is an experience never to be forgotten."

WHO WANTS TO BUILD WHAT AND WHERE IN THE COUNTY BOROUGH

Azure Property LLP, Tremains Texaco (Star) Tremains Road, Bridgend - rebranding of existing Texaco illuminated image on the forecourt canopy. Riversdale Surgery, Cae Court, 12A Merthyr Mawr Road, Bridgend - demolition of fire-damaged conservatory addition. Mr R Reilly, Glenside, 10 Heol Ty Draw, Pyle - first floor extension and alterations. R&J Jones, 29 Heol Y Groes, Pencoed - two-storey rear extension and single storey rear extension. F Morgan & Son, Ty Charles Farm, Rhiwceilog, Pencoed - creation of a hardstanding area for cattle feeding during autumn/winter. Mr B Rea, 47B West Road, Porthcawl - conservatory to rear of the property. Mr P Pettit, 103 Bishopwood, Brackla - single storey conser-

vatory to rear south-facing elevation. Mr J Jones, land at The Elms, West Road, Porthcawl - renewal of planning permission for construction of five dwellings. Pencoed Town Council, War Memorial, The Square, Pencoed - insert a matching polished granite plaque into the face of the block beneath the existing lettering panels. Mrs PT Nixon, 8 Maes Y Fedwen, Broadlands, Bridgend - change of window design from velux to dormer window. Mr Lippiatt, 29 Penybont Road, Pencoed - conservatory to rear elevation. Mr Bailey, Two Chimneys, Island Farm Road, Bridgend - conservatory to rear elevation. Compete (Bridgend) Ltd, former Chapel of Rest, Elder Yard, Elder Street,

Bridgend - demolition of former chapel of rest (The Range). Mr and Mrs Rees, 30 Great Western Avenue, Bridgend - two-storey extension to side of existing property and alterations to detached building. Valleys to Coast Housing Association, land at rear Ael Y Bryn, North Cornelly - five residential general needs housing scheme with external works and associated drainage. Mr A Canton, land at Federation Lane, Pontycymmer - pair of semi-detached dwellings. Mrs M Suffin, 32 Great Western Avenue, Bridgend - single storey extension to front porch with canopies each side and open frontage and widen vehicle cross over. Mr J Lambert, 17 Heol Y Felin, Bettws - single storey bedroom with en-suite facilities and sitting room. Mr PC Edwards, 61 Foxhollows, Brackla - side and rear ground floor extension to provide a family bathroom, kitchen and utility room and conserva-

tory. Mr JP Noland, land at Central Cottage, Cwm Ffoes, Cefn Cribbwr - agricultural building for storage of hay, tractor and equipment, private stable and shelter for sheep. Mr L Joseph, land at Crosshaven, Pyle Road, Pyle - detached three-bedroom dwelling with off-street car parking spaces. Mr R Green, 18 Graham Avenue, Penyfai - two storey side and rear extension. Mr R Daly, 7 Crown Road, Kenfig Hill - first floor extension to rear of dwelling. Mr C Williams, 8 Oak Way, Bryncethin - double-storey rear side extension. Mrs L Jenkins, 1 Healthy Close, Penyfai - garage conversion and new garage and conservatory. Mr R Webster, 137A Oxford Street, Pontycymmer - change of use from former hair salon into two-bedroom dwelling unit. Mr D White, former Mount Zion Chapel, Station Road, Nantymoel - conversion of former chapel into one dwelling.

New campaign encourages children to walk to school

RIGHT:
The pupils of Pandy Infants School model their newly-donated high visibility vests.

BARRATT SOUTH WALES is encouraging primary school children in Aberkenfig to walk to school by taking part in International Walk to School Month.

Thousands of children from across the UK have joined forces with more than 40 countries worldwide this October to celebrate the benefits of walking to school.

Last week, the company donated nearly 100



high-visibility vests to Pandy Infants School in Aberkenfig, in the hope that children be encouraged to walk to school safely.

National charity Living Streets runs the Walk to School Campaign and this year

the theme is 'count me in' and is designed to encourage children to measure how much physical activity they do during the day.

Walking to school regularly helps pupils reach the recommended daily 60 minutes of

activity to benefit a child's health. Around 50 per cent of children do not walk to school regularly, with 41 per cent being driven in cars, despite the average distance to primary schools being around one mile.

Call for help for abandoned pets

ANIMAL welfare officers from Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) and local animal sanctuaries are looking for people who can offer a home to pets that have been abandoned during the credit crunch.

Organisations such as the Maesteg Animal Welfare Society have reported a significant rise in the number of cats, dogs and other domestic pets that have been handed over or abandoned by their owners since the economic downturn began.

Coun John Spanwick, the cabinet member for communities, said: "The current economic climate has had unfortunate consequences for some pet

owners, not just here in the UK but around the world.

"Owning an animal brings with it a number of responsibilities, and some people are handing over or abandoning their pets as they become increasingly unable to deal with the expense of keeping and caring for them.

"I would appeal to anyone who thinks that they can help to get in touch with organisations such as Maesteg Animal Welfare, the Dogs Trust or the Cats Protection League."

The organisations can be contacted as follows: Maesteg Animal Welfare 01656 738977; Dogs Trust 01656 725219; Cats Protection League 01656 724396.

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ABOVE: Pictured are Chris (left) with senior receptionist Sharon Griffiths, receptionist Julie Jones and workshop manager Darren Davies.

LLANTWIT MAJOR optometrist Chris Williams celebrated the 10th anniversary of the opening of his practice in Newton House this week.

Chris commented: "I can't believe it has gone so quickly. I would like to thank the people of Llantwit for their support over the last 10 years, and for entrusting their eyecare to this practice. They have certainly kept me busy."

Two years ago the practice was extended to offer additional services including an on-site workshop and lab. A new second consulting room gives full disabled access as well as providing space for Low Visual Aid assessment and colorimetry.

Chris first came to Llantwit Major in 1993, working locally before opening his own practice six years later. Over the years he has become well known in the town, not only for his work, but also for his musical exploits with Cowbridge Amateur Operatic Society (CAOS), his band the Glam Organs and his involvement with Major Music.

It was whilst singing with CAOS that he was given the nickname 'The Operatician'.

Policeman's community work is recognised with visit to number 10

RIGHT: Madeleine Moon with Supt Tim Jones, Gordon Brown and Sarah Brown inside No 10.



SOUTH Wales Police Chief Supt Tim Jones last week joined Bridgend MP Madeleine Moon at a reception hosted by the Prime Minister Gordon Brown and his wife Sarah Brown in No 10 Downing Street.

The reception was an opportunity to give proper recognition to key people in constituencies across the UK.

Madeleine Moon invited Supt Tim Jones in recognition of the work he did when Superintendent of the Bridgend Police Force.

Commenting on the event, Mrs Moon said: "Tim was an excellent local Superintendent over what has been a difficult few years in Bridgend. He played a key composed role during the cluster of suicides in the region

early last year, and has been pivotal in developing improved community orientated links between the public and the police.

"While Tim has now moved onto a new role

within South Wales Police, this was a great opportunity for him to receive the recognition his work in Bridgend deserved.

"I was proud that he was able to attend."

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STRICTLY'S 'MR NASTY' SHOWS HIS NICE SIDE TO LLANFAIR PUPILS

PHOTOGRAPHS by MALCOLM NUGENT

PUPILS from Llanfair Primary School in the Vale had a celebrity visitor last week – and it was because the school had won a national dance competition.

As a result, BBC TV's ultra-critical judge, Craig Revel Horwood, came to see the pupils in action – and he had nothing but praise for their dance routine!

Llanfair was one of six primary schools to win a place on the 'Bone Factor' tour, which aims to highlight the medical condition osteoporosis.

Hundreds of schools from across the UK entered the competition which was organised by the National Osteoporosis Society.

The Llanfair pupils were selected for their 'unique and creative dance' as well as for showing their understanding of the importance of weight-bearing exercise and a healthy diet to increase bone health.

Craig is due to visit all six winning

schools on the tour, and he was impressed by the pupils' routine and by their costumes – designed to make them look like dancing skeletons.

The routine had been choreographed by Emma Goodfield, who teaches the year-5 and year-6 age groups at the school.

The school's headteacher, Mrs Dianne Normansell, told The GEM: "It was a fantastic day, and the children were really excited about Craig coming to the school."

"They were delighted to have the chance to perform for him."

Mrs Normansell explained that, as the dance was created last term, about half of the pupils had moved on to the local comprehensive schools, but they were given permission to return for the day.

Craig spent some time giving the pupils some tips, and even had time to sweep Pat Curnow, a learning support assistant at the school, right off her feet in a waltz!



ABOVE: Brendan Cole wasn't quite so confrontational when challenged by Craig's new friends!



ABOVE: Learning support assistant Pat Curnow is swept off her feet by Craig.



Choreographer and teacher Emma Goodfield



ABOVE: Craig charms the headteacher, Mrs Dianne Normansell.



Cowbridge flower arrangers
COWBRIDGE and District Flower Arrangers Club is meeting at 7.30pm, on Wednesday, November 4, at the Duke of Wellington, Cowbridge.

Pat Llewellyn will give a demonstration entitled 'Collections and Connections'. Come, relax and enjoy this demonstration. A warm welcome awaits you.

Pink Power at Talbot Green

TALBOT GREEN hosts a family festival day this Saturday (October 24) in a collaboration between a local hotel and retail park.

Part of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the 'Pink Power' family festival promises an action-packed day, split between the Three Saints Hotel and the Talbot Green Shopping Park – with a pink limo shuttle running every 15 minutes between the venues.

There will be street entertainers and 'pink events' at the shopping centre and a fundraising fayre – with dance lessons, hair braiding, cake stall, tarot readings, face painting and much more taking place at the hotel.

During the day, a catwalk model show is promised, and staff at the shopping park will be in pink fancy dress.

The event is on from 11am to 4pm, with money raised going to Cancer Research UK.

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ANNIVERSARY BALL MARKS 150th BIRTHDAY OF 'MOUNTAIN SCHOOL'

A 150th anniversary celebration ball to mark the birthday of Llansannor and Llanharry Church in Wales School was held at Llansannor Court on October 17, hosted by Mr and Mrs Michael Eddershaw.

Mrs Eleanor Eddershaw serves at a governor at the school and two of her grandchildren attend it.

As you can see from the brief history of the school below, Llansannor Court was an apt venue for the celebration. The school's story began on November 5, 1859, when deeds were passed from Alexander Young Spearman of Llansannor Court to the Archdeacon of Llandaff enabling the school to be built.

PHOTOGRAPHS by IAN DIXON



Michael and Eleanor Eddershaw.



JPR and Dr Scilla Williams



Coun Val Ellis and Mr Dixon Dagg.

NEXT month, on November 5, Llansannor and Llanharry Church in Wales School officially celebrates its 150th anniversary!

The school's story started on November 5, 1859, when deeds were passed from Alexander Young Spearman of Llansannor Court to the Archdeacon of Llandaff allowing for a school to be built.

The stated aim at the time was "for the education of the labouring, manufacturing and other poor classes of Llansannor, Llanharry and Ystradowen in accordance with the principles of the established church."

It was an example of Wales leaping ahead of many other countries across the globe and into the modern age – recognising that to get ahead in the world, a well-educated population was vital.

In Victorian days the parents of the children from Llansannor would have been agricultural workers, and those from Llanharry would have been colliery or iron ore workers.

The children of wealthier families are likely to have been educated at home or to have gone to private school in Cowbridge.

In those days, the age range catered for was from six years old to 14.

It would be another 100 years before the first known student would pass the entrance exam to Cowbridge School and subsequently achieve a university degree.

Mr David Francis, a local historian who lives in Llanharry, told The GEM: "In 1959 when the school celebrated its 100th anniversary, I was told by the rector at the time that I was the first known graduate of the school, and I got my degree at Aberystwyth University College in the 100th year itself!"

"I was very pleased to read the lesson at the service celebrating the 100th anniversary."

In the early years, children would walk to school in hobnail boots come rain or shine, and go home for lunch before returning for afternoon lessons.



ABOVE: This is a picture taken at the school in the 1950s. Do you recognise anybody, if so, please contact The GEM and let us know!

The attendance varied from between 30 and 80 pupils and everyone was housed in one main room, which now remains as the school hall.

The first teacher, Mr Batchelor, taught in that single classroom and had to combat the early problem of young truants.

In an early log book entry he wrote: "John Ede, on May 22, 1874 left school aged 10 to work in Llanharry Meadow Colliery, but finding it unpalatable, soon returned to school in June."

In 1881, a second classroom was built, and by 1910 the number of children attending the school was more than 100.

The first school trip was to Penarth in 1903, and the headmaster, Mr DRC Davies noted that for many children it was the first time they had seen the sea!

The school was first known as The Mountain School, but on November 4, 1912 it reopened as Llansannor and Llanharry Non Provided School.

In the past few months, there have been concerns about the spread of swine flu. The history of the Mountain School illustrates the perils our ancestors had to contend with.

In 1899, the school was ordered to shut because of a measles outbreak. Nineteen years later, the flu pandemic hit the area and a school record says: "The attendance fell away...owing to illness. Three children had influenza." Worldwide, more than 50 million people died as a consequence of the pandemic.

Scarlet fever was much feared in the early part of the last century too, because there was no penicillin until the 1950s; whole households were kept in isolation for weeks.

These medical crises show how lucky we are in the relatively safe 21st century in which most people can look forward to old age.

In 1940, Mrs SJ Saunders (nee Tudor) was the headmistress and brought a long period of stability to

the school, serving until 1970.

In the late 1990s applications were made to the Welsh Office to increase the size of the school, and a new administration block and six new classrooms were constructed alongside the original school building.

The new block was opened in 2000 by the now Archbishop of Wales, Dr Barry Morgan. In 2004, an 'early years' nursery block was opened by Mr Anthony Powell, who served the school as a governor.

Dr Morgan is returning to the school on November 5 to celebrate the 150th school anniversary with headmaster Mr Paul Fisher, staff and pupils.

● The GEM would like to thank Dr Scilla Williams and Mr David Francis for their help in producing this article on the history of the school.

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Local writer's second book shows he is one to watch

Review by PHILIP IRWIN

VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED)

NOTICE OF DESIGNATION AND VARIATION OF CONSERVATION AREAS

Notice is hereby given, under section 70(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 that The Vale of Glamorgan Council (hereinafter referred to as "the Local Planning Authority") has by a resolution passed on 25th March 2009, made variations to the areas designated as the Aberthin, Boverton, Broughton, Colwinston, Dinas Powys, Drope, Llanccadle, Llandow, Llangan, Llantrithyd, Michaelston Le Pit, Monknash, Pendoylan, Penmark, Peterston Super Ely, Porthkerry, Rhose, St. Brides Major and St. Georges Conservation Areas as referred to in Schedule 1 to 19 hereto. These areas are considered by the Council to be of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve and enhance.

The effect of the variations are as follows:

1. Conservation area consent will now be required for the demolition of all unlisted buildings (other than excepted buildings) in the designated area;
2. Planning applications for development which would in the opinion of the Local Planning Authority affect the character or appearance of the designated area must be given publicity and representations received as a result of the publicity must be taken into account in determining the application;
3. It becomes an offence subject to certain exceptions to cut down, top, lop, uproot, willfully damage or willfully destroy any tree in the area except with the consent of the Local Planning Authority within the designated area;
4. The Local Planning Authority are now under a duty to formulate and publish proposals for the presentation and enhancement of the designated area.
5. The restrictions above (1 – 4) no longer apply to areas that no longer form part of the designated area.

Plans showing the revised boundaries of the Conservation Areas and copies of the Character Appraisals and Management Plans defining the special character of the areas are available for inspection during office hours at the office of the Director of Environmental and Economic Development, Planning and Transportation, Docks Office, Subway Road, Barry. Alternatively, they can be viewed and downloaded from the Vale of Glamorgan Council's website at www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

Rob Thomas, Head of Planning and Transportation, Vale of Glamorgan Council

Schedule 1 – Aberthin Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- 1 – 2 Brynawel
- 1 – 10 Chapel Close
- 1 – 10 The Orchard
- Awelfan
- Brooklands
- Church Cottage
- Fern Bank
- Orchard House

Schedule 2 – Boverton Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- 9 – 15 Gaskell Close

In addition, the Conservation Area has been extended to include a parcel of land to the south of the rear boundaries of No's 2 – 40 Harding Close and north of the Boverton Brook.

Schedule 3 – Broughton Conservation Area

(Properties designated as additional parts to the existing Conservation Area)

- The Old Farmhouse
- Ty Capel
- Broughton Cottage
- Sunnybank
- Claremont
- Homeleigh
- Penydraith
- Flat 1 – 12 Malthouse Court

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- Westville

In addition, the Conservation Area has been reduced to exclude parcels of land to the east of Rivendell and Avalon, and to the north of Westwood Cottage; and to the west of the Old Carpenters Arms, The Old Shop, Ivy Cottage, Ash Cottage and Oak Cottage.

Schedule 4 – Colwinston Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- 1 – 5 Yew Tree Close
- 1 – 12 Twyn Yr Eglwys
- 1 – 10 The Vines
- 1 – 3 St Michael's Close
- Meadow View
- Orchard House
- Ty Collen
- Clevis Orchard
- Clevis Lodge
- Ashcroft

Schedule 5 – Dinas Powys Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- 4 Britway Road
- 5 – 17 (Odds) Cardiff Road
- 1 – 8, & 10 Mill Close
- 1 – 4 Wesley Court
- 1 – 5 Old Malthouse, Station Road
- Old Malthouse, Station Road
- Youth House, Station Road
- Maes Glas, Pen-Y-Tumpike Road

Schedule 6 – Drope Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- Downsend
- Greenmeadow
- Llys Y Celyn
- Sunnybank
- Woodhaze

In addition, the Conservation Area has been reduced to exclude parcels of land to the north and south west of the above properties, and extended to include parcels of land to the south of the Old Rectory and Rose Cottage; and north west of Drope Farm.

Schedule 7 – Llanccadle Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- Andros
- Cuba Cottage
- Cwmeldeg
- Green Dragon Inn
- Meadow View
- Stoneleigh House
- The Coppice

The boundary has been further amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary.

Schedule 8 – Llandow Conservation Area

The field that lies between Ty Fry Farm and Grove Road has been removed from the Conservation Area. The boundary has been further amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary.

Schedule 9 – Llangan Conservation Area

The field between Preswylfa and Waupentre has been removed from the Conservation Area.

Schedule 10 – Llantrithyd Conservation Area

Fields to the south-west of Llanmihangel Place and Church House, and to the north of Park Cottage have been removed from the Conservation Area.

Schedule 11 – Michaelston Le Pit Conservation Area

The field to the north of the Courtyard has been removed from the Conservation Area. The boundary has been further amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary.

Schedule 12 – Monknash Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- Serenbrook
- Bay Cottage
- Holmea
- Stable Cottage
- Gosling Cottage
- Springfield

Schedule 13 – Pendoylan Conservation Area

The boundary has been amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary, in particular to fully enclose the boundaries of:

- 50, 52, 54 Heol St Catwg;
- Pentwyn;
- Kingswood.

Schedule 14 – Penmark Conservation Area

The boundary has been amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary, in particular to fully enclose the boundaries of:

- The Grange;
- The Granary;
- Kenson Bridge.

Schedule 15 – Peterston Super Ely Conservation Area

The field to the south of the Three Horseshoes has been removed from the Conservation Area.

Schedule 16 – Porthkerry Conservation Area

The field to the west of Elmleigh has been removed from the Conservation Area. In addition, the Conservation Area has been amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary, in particular to fully enclose the curtilage of Glebe Farm.

Schedule 17 – Rhose Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- 1 – 17 (Odds), 2 – 18 (Evens) and 12a Lower Farm Court
- 1 – 29 (Odds) and 2 – 24 (Evens) Benecrofte
- 1 – 3 and 5 Readers Way
- 1 and 1a, St Arthurs, Rhose Road
- 2, 3, 4, 6 and 8 Romilly Road
- 1 – 6 Deans Court
- 1 – 17 (Odds) and 2 – 10 (Evens) Fontygary Road
- 1 – 3 The Nurseries, Fontygary Road
- 1 – 7 Brendon View Close
- 2 – 5 Jackson Close

Schedule 18 – St. Brides Major Conservation Area

The boundary has been amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary, in particular to fully enclose the boundaries of Vicarage Lawns and to form a logical boundary at Pitcot Farm.

Schedule 19 – St. Georges Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- Mornington Bungalow
- The Pippins
- Greenwood Inn

A YOUNG Porthcawl writer, Tom Anderson, has just published his second book, *Chasing Dean*, which follows his first effort, *Riding the Magic Carpet*.

In music, they talk about the 'difficult second album' syndrome, but in Tom's case, I think he has postponed that, and therefore we will be talking about the difficult third effort.

Why? Well, the first book was a mixture of two things – good travel writing and a successful attempt to explain the fascination surfing exerts on its disciples.

It was a quest, with Tom surfing around the world, with it all building up to tackling the ultra-difficult waves that batter Jeffreys Bay in South Africa each autumn.

Chasing Dean is the same mix of travel and surfing, but with a dash of social conscience thrown in. Dean, it turns out, is Hurricane Dean, which begins life off the west coast of Africa and travels across the Atlantic, before wreaking havoc on Caribbean islands and the Mexican shoreline.

The social conscience is there because what is a disaster for thousands of people, is a great day for the surfers. A hurricane such as Dean sends a massive swell across the Atlantic, resulting in fantastic waves that lash the eastern seaboard of the United States, from the Carolinas all the way up to New York and on up to Maine and even Nova Scotia.

There is a fair amount of guilt in saying:

"Great, a hurricane is coming" knowing you will be hundreds of miles away waxing your surfboard while other people are having their homes destroyed.

Still, if Tom had suc-

cumbed to that guilt, there would be no book – which incidentally this time is described as a novel. This is confusing, because it reads pretty much the same as his first.

The difference apparently, is that Tom's travelling companion chasing Dean, a Porthcawl schoolfriend of Tom's, Marc Rhys, is a "composite figure".

I was quite disappointed when Tom told me that, because Marc was a larger-than-life figure that I quite warmed to. Mind, I did think that a Porthcawl surfer who goes on to become a world-renowned computer genius sounded a bit far-fetched.

In *Chasing Dean*, Tom continues to write about the sensation of surfing without making it repetitive. He is fond of saying that no two waves are alike, and he keeps the pages that are set in the water fresh throughout the book – despite the fact that the jargon is as incomprehensible as ever.

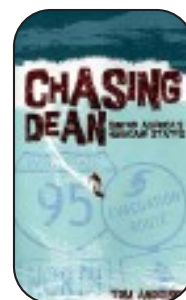
Interspersed with the surfing there are several vivid pieces of travel writing – more focused on the people they meet rather than places.

There is an excellent passage when Tom and Marc spend the evening in a bar with some young Marines who are about to leave on a tour of duty in Iraq.

They find their expectations about gung-ho redneck Americans founded in a piece of writing that is genuinely moving.

There is a running gag because Americans continually ask if Wales is in England and Marc, a Welshman with enough chips on his shoulders to supply Beales for a week, gets angrier and angrier.

At the UN in New York, he complains to a receptionist that Wales should be a member state – and is stunned



when she responds with a detailed explanation of why Wales does not qualify, whereas Western Sahara does!

The weakest bit in the book is in the jazz quarter of New Orleans, where Tom's editor should have sent him back to come with something better than "The music of New Orleans is truly its heart-beat".

The New Orleans passages looking at the ravages of Hurricane Katrina, in contrast, were much more personal and much stronger.

Chasing Dean is a hard book to place. It will, says Tom, be found in the travel section of bookshops, but the cover, which emphasises the surfing aspect, could put off some readers.

It would be a pity if some are, because there is a great deal that is fresh in this book, and you come away with a greater understanding of the US eastern seaboard.

It is also a book about growing up. As they head north looking for the best waves, Tom and Marc both know they are getting older. They know the 'real world' is looming and that decisions have to be made. Surfing might 'just' be a sport – but this is a grown-up book from a maturing author.

Chasing Dean is published by Summersdale Publishers Ltd, more information can be found on www.summersdale.com

Birthday

I WOULD like to say a big thank you to all who helped me celebrate my 'special' birthday on October 13, and for the gifts and cards and company throughout the day.

It was all greatly appreciated, making a lovely day to remember.

Simon John

IT is sad to report the death in hospital of Simon John, son of Maureen and the late Bob John of Poppit Hill, St Brides Major.

He suffered a long illness bravely borne. Our thoughts go out to the family.

Thursday club

AT the Ladies Thursday Club on October 15, members stood in respect for the passing of long time

COMMUNITY NEWS

ST BRIDES MAJOR

Your local correspondent is

Patricia Bevan-Morgan

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member 'Dot' (Mrs AA Evans) of Lony Eglwys, St Brides Major, who died peacefully in Maesgwyn Hospital.

She was always a happy soul and will be sadly missed.

Retired residents

OGMORE by Sea Retired Residents Association met at the

Watermill on October 15 to enjoy a talk given by Steven Jarvis, when he took members back to 'the Good Old Days' with memories of advertisements long forgotten.

Policing

FROM September 1, policing from Bridgend merged with the Vale of Glamorgan.

This is to help make savings in the force and police say that it will not affect neighbourhood policing in any way.

For any information, (NOT an emergency), ring 101.

PACT

THE next PACT meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 4 at the church hall, St Brides Major, 6pm-7pm.

Please make an effort to attend.

BRIDGEND ATHLETIC MINI AND JUNIOR RUGBY ROUND-UP

Bridgend Athletic under-10s bring Salisbury Plate home

BRIDGEND Athletic under-10s travelled to Salisbury to take part in their annual tournament, where they were in a pool with four other teams.

The first pool match was against Bournemouth, where the Ath started well despite having to come to terms with contested scrums and line-outs for the first time, as English rules are slightly different.

The Bridgend boys tried to run the ball at every opportunity and got their reward with four first half tries by Chris Matthews (two), Morgan Hughes and Nathan Willis.

The forwards really worked hard in the loose and won plenty of ball for the backs to use.

In the second half, the Ath were unable to build on their lead but the final score of 20-0 was a good start.

The second pool match was against Bradford-upon-Avon who looked a much stronger outfit.

The Ath were slow to get going and Bradford took advantage of this and raced into the lead with a try.

The Ath boys dug deep and finally broke a solid defence and levelled when Chris



*The victorious
Bridgend Athletic
under-10s*

Matthews crossed near the corner after the Ath executed their 'Alfie' move.

With time running out, the Ath pressed for the win but, after a spilt ball by the Ath backs, the ball bounced perfectly for the Bradford winger to race up the touchline and score the match-winning try.

Next up for the Bridgend boys was Bath, who were unbeaten so far, and the Ath knew that only a win would do if they were going to progress.

It was a hard game and both teams showed great commitment.

The Ath boys tackled superbly, and after great

play between forwards and backs, Rhys Gamble powered his way over for the Ath to take a well-deserved lead.

In the second half the Ath took control of the game with numerous good passages of play and most of the half the play was deep into Bath territory although the Ath were unable to get that crucial second score. When the final whistle went there was a big cheer of relief from all the Ath players, who were thrilled with their 5-0 victory.

The last pool game was against Havant and a win for the Ath would mean they would be guaranteed at least sec-

ond place in the group. The game proved to be a pretty one-sided affair, with the Bridgend boys in full flow playing some excellent rugby. Ath tries came from Matthew Hobby (two), Joe Grabham and Morgan Hughes, final score 20-5 to the Ath.

After the pool stages were completed, the Ath had finished second to Bradford-upon-Avon who were unbeaten.

The Ath were in the Plate final against the home side, Salisbury, who finished second in their group.

In the final, the Ath were excellent, playing with a great tempo and strong in defence. The

Bridgend boys played out of their skins and secured a great 25-0 victory with tries coming from Chris Matthews (two), Joe Grabham, Rhys Gamble and Jack Walker. The whole squad played their part in securing the Plate for the trophy cabinet back in the Ath club.

The squad: Chris Matthews, Harry Provstgaard, Dylan Parry, Drew Cording, Thomas Zielinski, Jac Bassett, Jack Walker, Mitchell Davies, Matthew Hibbert, Matthew Hobby, Rhys Gamble, Nathan Willis, Joe Grabham and Morgan Hughes.

LG

... and the Under-9s take Salisbury title!

BRIDGEND Athletic under-9s entered the Salisbury mini rugby tournament.

There were 10 sides, split into two groups, with the winner of each group going through to the final.

First the Ath played Bournemouth, and it was a close first half, with the Ath scoring the only try through Connor Fabian. There was good strong running and tackling, cleaning out and driving over the ball. In the second half, two more tries were scored, by the Ath and came via Thomas Anthony and Daniel O'Sullivan.

The second game was against Devizes, and if the first game wasn't good enough this encounter was a class act from the Ath team. Two tries were notched up in the first half by the Ath and were scored by Daniel O'Sullivan and Connor Fabian.

The Ath scored a further three tries in the second half via Connor Fabian, Thomas Anthony and Gwilym John.

The third match saw the Ath take on Bath. After watching Bath in a previous match against another team, the coaches took the chance to mix the team up and make various changes.

This did have a slight effect on the way the game ended. Even though the Ath did play really well, it was too many changes at once and the final score was 0-0. A 'learning curve', one which was to prove costly going into the final game of the pool stages.

The fourth and final encounter of the pool stages was against Havant, who had won all three of their previous games. It was a 'must win' game for both sides and big hits were going in.

Havant were proving to be worthy opponents but it was the Ath who came out on top with a 2-1 win to through to the final.

THE FINAL

The final was against Group A winners, Chippenham. It was the Ath who had the only chance in the first half, but Daniel O'Sullivan's try was disallowed.

The second half was no different, with both sides giving it their all. Then, at a maul near the touchline on the half way line, all of Havant's defence was placed on the open side and Sam Veasey stood his ground on the blind-side wing. Thomas Anthony took the ball from the maul and exploited this by passing to Sam, who raced to the try line to touchdown for what was to be the winning try.

With time running out, the Ath stood strong until the final whistle went.

Bridgend Athletic were crowned Salisbury under-9 champions.

All credit must go to the squad, who gave their all and played their hearts out. The coaches and parents were very proud of them.

Player of the tournament went to James Hermolle, for his much improved and outstanding defence work.

Bridgend Athletic squad: Gwilym John (captain), Connor Fabian (vice-captain), Jack Obbard, Teo Fillis, Cai Robinson, Jade Thomas, Kasari Mehta, Brandyn Fooks, Louis King, Ffion Rebill, William Goodall, Thomas Anthony, Sam Veasey, Megan Webb, Taine Waite, James Hermolle, Josh Tidy and Daniel O'Sullivan.

PO

Wick earn a last-gasp win against Nantymoel

LAST weekend, Wick 1st XV travelled to the Ogmere Valley, to play Nantymoel Seconds in the Bridgend District League Two.

Nantymoel were unable to field a recognised front row and so passive scrums were imposed, which disappointed the Wick pack. However, it did present the opportunity for Luke McNaughton to make his long-awaited debut in the front row.

During the first 10 minutes, the home team exerted all the pressure without gaining any

score. However, after that the visitors dominated, resulting in two unconverted tries from full-back Mike Sims and hooker John Birkett for a half-time score of 0-10.

Nanty started the second half strongly, and two tries and a conversion edged them into the lead at 12-10.

It wasn't until injury time that Wick managed to seal victory with a well-taken try from impact substitute Kirk Roberts, giving a final score of 12-15.

The encounter took a heavy toll on the players, with John Birkett, Mathew Lewis, Joe Barnes, Mike Sims and

Gary Constable all leaving the field prematurely.

Wick's man-of-the-match was centre Dai Edbrooke, whose father Bob and uncle Gwyn played in the Wick team for many years.

Another plus point was that captain John Cooper returned from injury and completed the whole game almost unscathed.

This Saturday, Wick host local rivals Llantwit Major Druids at Cwrt-y-Felin, Wick. Both sides are unbeaten in the league and so the game should be interesting.

RT

Under-8s are well matched in two great games against Pontypridd

BRIDGEND Athletic under-8s played two games against Pontypridd and two great games they were.

The first started with both sides keen to get the upper hand, and Pontypridd opened the scoring from deep in their own half with a great try.

The Ath hit back with a well-worked try of their own through Daniel Leyshon, who squeezed over in the corner.

Both sides pushed hard in the last couple of minutes of the half, but it was Ponty who had the final say, scoring two tries in quick succession.

The second half was entertaining, with both sides passing the ball with great confidence and it was the Ath who opened the scoring with two good tries, first by Mason Edwards and then by Oliver Raynor. With time in the second half running out and the scores tied, a few minor mistakes by the Ath gave the ball back to Ponty, who scored twice through great passing and

offloading of the ball.

Final score: Ath 3, Pontypridd 5. GAME two saw Pontypridd change a couple of players, as they had brought a big squad with them.

The Ath started strongly, and a pass by Ponty was intercepted by Mason Edwards, who raced up field to open the scoring.

Ponty made a few mistakes in the first half which cost them dear. Mason Edwards crossed the line two more times before Ponty hit back with two of their own. With time running out in the first half and Ponty fighting back, Archie Burnett scored a great solo try to ease the pressure a little.

The second half was great to watch with both sides playing really good rugby. Ponty scored first, followed by another try by Archie Burnett.

It was proving to be a nail-biting end to a good game with both sides pushing for the win. Ponty hit back again just before the end of the second half but the Ath had the final say with Sam Ralph scoring the last try of the game.

Final score: Ath 6, Pontypridd 4.

Player of the match went to Mason Edwards, who had an excellent all-round game.

The squad: Archie Burnett, Bobby Bromley, Dafydd Hitchings, Daniel Leyshon, Emyr Anthony, Iwan Hill, Mason Edwards, Morgan Bennett, Oliver Raynor and Sam Ralph.

Under-7s are just pipped
BRIDGEND Athletic hosted Pontypridd, who had a huge squad of players.

Game One saw the young Ath boys start off strong with some good runs and they opened the score through Ieuan Pippin.

Ponty hit back from the restart and scored a good try of their own.

The passing by both sides was a pleasure to watch and the Ath scored again through Ieuan Pippin. Ponty picked up the pace and scored two more tries of their own before Ieuan Pippin got his third.

That was to be the last score in the first half for the Ath, but Pontypridd scored another three.

Ath changed six play-

ers for the second half to give all the squad a game but the ball skills by both sides was just as good.

With good passing Ponty opened the scoring, but, not to be outdone, the Ath came back with Jordan Gittins picking up from a good pass to score a great solo try.

Yet again Ponty came straight back from the restart and scored again. The Ath side dug deep to hold off the constant attacks.

They scored another good try against the run of play, when Jordan Gittins picked up a loose ball to score his second.

Pontypridd proved to be too strong, although the Ath scored another two tries in the last couple of minutes, with Thomas Lewis scoring a great solo try and Jordan Gittins getting his third of the game.

Final score: Ath 7, Pontypridd 10.

THE under-7s played a second game not long after and both sides battled hard. It was another fantastic game where Pontypridd only just came out on top.

Ryley Howells, Jordan Gittins and Thomas Lewis all scored for the Ath in the Second Game but on the final whistle the score was **Ath 3, Pontypridd 5.**

Player of the match went to Thomas Lewis, who played some fantastic rugby. The squad: Oliver Gibbs, Connor Lees, Ryley Howells, Ellis Penman, Euan Rees, Fynn Mordecai, Ieuan Pippin, Jordan Gittins, Lloyd Anthony, Callum Taylor, Rhys Thomas, Daniel Elias and Thomas Lewis.

AB

Vale Schools under-11s are back on top form against Bridgend

AFTER a disappointing result against Newport Schools last week, Vale Schools under-11s entertained Bridgend Schools at Old Penarthians RFC.

Vale kicked off and were able to keep Bridgend pinned back in their own half for long periods. Pressure at the scrum from Spencer Robinson at scrum half meant Bridgend struggled for clean ball.

The resulting ruck allowed Vale to spin the

ball wide through the hands of Harry Morgan-Grant, Cai Evans and Michael Thomas, with James Holder entering the line from fullback and putting William Gale in space for an early try, converted by Cai Evans.

This set the tone of the game with Vale flanker Daniel Bunny breaking through for one of his jinking runs supported by Joe Short and Nathan Lewis.

With robust support play from Owain Leyshon and Owain Thomas-Jenkins in the second row, Vale were able to win quick ball,

allowing James Holder to run in under posts for the second try. The second conversion by Cai Evans made the half time score 14-0.

The second half started with Bridgend gaining good field position with strong runs from the Bridgend No 8. Vale Schools were able to clear their line with long clearance kicks from Cai Evans.

From a scrum on half-way, props Joe Nott and Charles de Gray held firm allowing Max Lucas to win a ball against the head, with Cai Evans (now at No 10) bursting through a

gap for a well-deserved try.

With Dafydd Smith joining the back line, the backs were intent on spinning the ball wide to wings Ethan John and William Gale.

Bridgend did manage a late score from their No 8, but man of the match William Gale scored a further two tries to secure a fine win. Another conversion from Cai Evans left the final score 31-5.

Well done also to the B side, who fought hard against a well-drilled Bridgend side, going down 19-5.

SJ

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RHOOSE SURF LIFEGUARDS IS A 'SUPER' CLUB!

AT the annual Surf Life Saving Association Wales presentation evening, held in Porthcawl on October 10, Rhose Lifeguards were announced as the winners of the first-ever 'Welsh Superclub' Trophy.

Jake Bremner (club chairman) accepted the huge trophy from John Gwyn (chair of the SLSA Wales Sports Commission) on behalf of the club.

The award is based on combined points from nipper, junior, senior and master competitions in both Stillwater and Ocean events.

The club was also presented with the 2009 Masters Trophy, which was accepted by Simon Parker (club vice-captain) from Jon Gwyn and the club members who were selected for the Welsh team were pre-



Jake Bremner accepting the trophy from John Gwyn.

sented with their Welsh caps.

A club spokeswoman said: "Congratulations to all the competitors who took part in the various events throughout the year, and thanks to the parents, helpers, sponsors and particularly the coaches and officials, whose voluntary efforts in training and running the club, towing trailers, maintaining equipment and craft, and fundraising play a crucial part in the success of the club."



Simon Parker.

English-speaking union is definitely growing



Mike Evans, ESU director general; Enid Evans, Captain Sir Norman Lloyd-Edwards, south Wales branch president; Gerry Price-Stephens; Derek Morgan, branch chairman; Julia Elias.

AS a result of the rapid growth in membership of the south Wales branch of the English-Speaking Union, the Annual Branches' Conference came to Cardiff for the first time.

For the third year running, the branch won all three awards for the increase in membership and local members Enid Evans, June Elias and Gerry Price-Stephens each stepped forward to

accept an award.

Branch chairman, Derek Morgan, thanked the president, Captain Sir Norman Lloyd-Edwards and all members for their wholehearted support and was delighted to announce that 2010 would be another vintage year for speakers, with confirmation already received from Sir Christopher Meyer, former Ambassador to the USA, author Guy Walters and Lord Hunt, former Secretary of State for Wales.

The summer garden

party would be held at the home of Sir Geoffrey and Lady Inkin at Castle upon Alun. Members are now looking forward to returning for the third year to Howell's School, Llandaff on December 1, for the annual Christmas carols and supper with entertainment from the senior girls choir and branch vice chairman Roy Noble.

Information on membership can be obtained from Derek Morgan, 01656 669129; email: derekmorgan@admor-gan.fsnet.co.uk.

Crooks' cash will pay for Pencoed youth coffee bar

CASH 'recovered' from convicted criminals will be used to set up a coffee bar for young people in Pencoed.

The UK Government recently launched its 'Community Cashback' scheme, where community projects can apply for grants from a fund that has been created by seizing the assets of convicted criminals.

In Pencoed, the coffee bar project, costing £15,000, has been put together by Safer Pencoed, which will be working in conjunction with the Street Pastors, a voluntary body that currently patrols the streets in Bridgend town centre on Friday and Saturday nights.

The Street Pastors hope to use it as a base for extending that work.

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'Little Kickers' fun football and learning for young children

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During the October holidays the centre hopes to have the following activities and

trips: ice skating at Cardiff Bay for Halloween (fancy dress optional) 6.30pm Friday, October 30; fishing trip on October 28; African/Samba drum workshops; plus boxing, art workshops, and info/advice sessions.

The centre is located next to Pil Primary School in Pyle, off Pyle Inn Way. Membership is just £1.50, with daytime and evening sessions

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This year the competition is open to children and grown ups! A challenge for everyone to wear their creepiest clothes!

Also for the grown ups is the Ivy Bush Tavern, where they can fortify themselves with medieval ales and wines.

Hot food will also be available.

Please note that this is a family event and children must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information please call 01920-701678. Entrance fee: Adults £5, concessions £2, family (2+2) £12.

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Vaughn's couples comedy just manages to raise a few laughs

SINCE witnessing his career being reborn after his acceptance of membership into the Will Ferrell-led comedy 'Frat Pack', Vince Vaughn's recent career trajectory has been somewhat of a slow descent.

After the success of *Old School* and *Dodgeball*, and various cameo roles, the likes of *The Break-Up* (poor rom-com), *Fred Claus* (made you wish there was no such thing as Christmas) and *Four Christmases* (ditto) have all seen diminishing returns for the actor.

His latest film, however, sees him not only team up with comedy actors with whom he has previously excelled, but he has also co-written the film, which is entitled *Couples Retreat*.

Three couples (Vaughn and Malin Akerman, Jon Favreau and Kristin Davies, and

Faizon Love and Kali Hawk) are coerced into attending a couples retreat when their friends (played by Jason Bateman and Kristen Bell) announce they are contemplating a divorce.

However, their dreams of an idyll are shattered when all of the couples find their relationships are under the microscope, not just the one in trouble...

The premise for *Couples Retreat* is a sound one, with a bunch of skilled comedic performers who should be able to take the premise and run with it, creating a laugh-filled film. While the end product doesn't quite succeed, it is however easy, undemanding viewing that will raise the odd laugh, but without lasting overly long in the memory.

Given that Vaughn co-wrote the script with Jon Favreau (along with Dana Fox), you would be right in expecting something a little special; after all, the previous two occasions when the latter has sat down at

his typewriter with Vaughn in mind, the end products have been the excellent *Swingers* and the underrated *Made*.

However, *Couples Retreat* fails to come anywhere near those films, nor is it quite the bold treatise on relationships it aims for. Behind the laughter and jokes, the marital issues are predictable, the scenarios all too familiar and offer little in the way of freshness.

What they do achieve, however, is cultivating some amusing set-pieces and gags that work well, together with a sideline in creating characters that have only small parts but make for pleasing comedic roles (step forward Peter Serafinowicz's Sctanley (sic) and Carlos Ponce's Salvadore).

There are a few laugh-aloud moments in sequences involving a 'shark attack', a Guitar Hero-cum-cowboy battle and a yoga session that seems to be skewed far more towards the females in the party, but the general tone is faintly amusing rather than highly hilarious.

Maybe because of the familiar aspect to the film, the well-worn character paths and comedic beats, there is little unexpected comedy on show, with the majority of the laughs coming from one-liners being spouted by the cast.

However, the performances don't quite manage to hit their

stride, Vaughn seemingly mining from the same character he plays in nearly all of his recent films, the party-happy, relaxed guy with a tendency to embark on rants when the going gets tough.

Favreau offers a decent turn but is hamstrung by a character lacking in any real depth, while Jason Bateman is saddled with an annoying character that, try as he may, he fails to turn into anything worthwhile.

The female cast similarly tread water, Akerman failing to show any real aptitude for either comedy or acting, Kristen Bell suffering from a similar problem to Bateman, while Kristin Davies seems to be having fun, but fails to transfer it to her character.

The only turns that really work are from Faizon Love and Kali Hawk as a new couple with a 20-year-age gap, their opposing views to what constitutes fun raising the biggest laughs, and the pair give game performances that stand out brightly.

Capping off the lacklustre feel of the film is director Peter Billingsley, who does an excellent job of making the Bora-Bora location look absolutely gorgeous (must have been a tough job).

He makes a decent fist of giving the film a good feel and pace; however, at just under two hours long, it cer-

SCREEN TALK



by GARETH JAMIESON

tainly outstays its welcome, feeling stretched beyond its natural length.

Given the talent behind *Couples Retreat*, you would expect far more than it delivers; despite raising a few laughs, the overall feeling is one of disappointment.

While Vince Vaughn can be thankful this isn't a disaster on the scale of *Fred Claus*, it'll take more than this run-of-the-mill comedy to get him back on track.

VERDICT - A lacklustre comedy with a few funny moments, *Couples Retreat* is disappointing given the talent involved.

While the performances of Faizon Love and Kali Hawk offer some life, the overall feel is of a film struggling to really get going - something a few laughs can't overcome. *Average.*

Win four tickets to an 'Evening with Nicholas Parsons'

THE GEM is running a competition giving you the chance to win four tickets to *Just A Laugh A Minute*, an evening with Nicholas Parsons at St Donats Arts Centre.

Nicholas is one of Britain's most-loved entertainers and Vale audiences will get an opportunity to spend an intimate evening with him when he performs at the historic St Donats Arts Centre on Saturday October 24, at 7.30pm.

After making his screen debut in 1947 he became one of Britain's most famous actors, straight men, cabaret artists, quiz-show hosts and West End stars.

Now, after an incredible 42 years (during which he has never missed a show) he is most well known as the chairman of BBC Radio 4's *Just A Minute* - despite this he still doesn't seem to have a grasp of the rules!

In his show, Nicholas takes people on a humorous journey through the often hysterically funny memorabilia of his eventful life, which began as the son of a GP whose patients included Margaret Thatcher's parents.

As a fabulous mimic and impres-

sionist, he recalls many of the people he has known in showbiz, such as Benny Hill, Arthur Haynes, Ed Sullivan, Rik Mayall and Adrian Edmondson.

Here's a tale he recalls from the 70s as host of ITV's *Sale of the Century* - remembered by the public with tremendous affection, not least for the magnificently dodgy prizes - the Goblin Teasmade, the rubber dinghy, the twin-tub washing-machine and the star prize of an Eastern European car. "There were strict limits on the value of prizes. British cars were too expensive. Once, the doors fell off the star prize (a Lada) when I went to open them...Certainly, telly is not what it used to be."

His show will take place in the 14th century Tythe Barn Theatre at St Donats Arts Centre. Tickets are available from 01446 799095 or online at www.stdonats.com.

Competition question: How many years has Nicholas Parsons been the host of Radio Four's *Just A Minute*?

The first person to contact St Donats Arts Centre on 01446 799100 with the correct answer will receive four free tickets for his show on Saturday October 24, at 7.30pm.

St Tathan service

THE congregation at St Tathan Church will be celebrating the Harvest with a family service on Sunday, October 25, at 10.30am and Harvest praise at 6.30pm, with the Barry Male Voice Choir.

Dinas scouts jumble sale

1ST DINAS POWIS Scout Group jumble sale is on Saturday, October 24, at 1.30pm, in the Scout Hall, Highwalls Road, Dinas Powys. Admission 40p.

Music for food festival Sunday

MUSICIANS from around the Vale are planning a marathon music session in aid of Oxfam on the Sunday of the Cowbridge Food and Drink Festival.

The event, entitled 'Oxjam', will be staged in the Living Cafe, starting at 12 noon on Sunday, October 25, and is being co-ordinated by Cowbridge-born singer-songwriter Lianne Morgan Davies.

A spokesman for the event said: "A number of local acts are already lined up, but if any talented musicians would like to come along and support the event, then they should e-mail Lianne - there is still time."

Lianne can be contacted on contact@liannemorgan.co.uk

Cowbridge Choral Society Concert

Cowbridge Choral Society will be performing a full and varied programme of music, together with instrumental soloists at Colwinston Village Hall on Saturday 31st October at 7.30pm.

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Entry is by programme, which costs £7 and are available from 01656 654541 and 01656 654330.

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What a great idea the half page coverage for Barry West End Traders has been over the past year. Well done to all the businesses that participated!

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Halloween is just around the corner and Christmas not far behind.

Look out for the street's festive promotions with prettily decorated shops and plenty going on.

The High Street monthly raffle for a chance to win £100 of High Street shopping vouchers has proved a great success. Buy your tickets from one of the many High Street shops.

The Glamorgan GEM will be doing their Christmas feature to promote the area, so make sure you promote your business to attract shoppers not just from Barry but from the surrounding areas.

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Anthony Hopkins

Out and About with The GEM

ThunderCats offer Porthcawl thrills!



ABOVE: Thundercat racing is heading to Porthcawl

AN EXCITING form of powerboat racing will be wowing the crowds at Porthcawl this weekend (October 24/25).

ThunderCat Racing is bringing its high-adrenaline powerboat spectacle to the seas at Coney Beach, where the

high-speed catamarans should really show their paces in the Porthcawl surf.

The race is part of the RYA National Championship series, with points gained this weekend counting towards the final reckoning.

Porthcawl's Coun David Newton

Williams told The GEM: "It is hoped that Porthcawl could be hosting these races on a regular basis in future years."

"This is a chance to see if the town would like to attract such a spectacular sport on a regular basis."

Llantwit voucher winners

THE four lucky winners of £25 vouchers to spend in Llantwit Major were:

Mr D Wilson, Llantwit Major (who chose to spend his voucher at The Flower Shop); Nancy Jenkins, Craig Penlyn, P Barrett, Bridgend and Miss D Jacqueline Wynde, Llandaff (who all chose to spend their vouchers at Filco).

Congratulations to you all!

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Loch Fyne competition winner

THE winner of our competition to win a meal for four at Loch Fyne restaurant is Judi Mendelsohn of Cowbridge. Congratulations, and keep reading for more great GEM competitions.

Cowbridge voucher winner

THE winner of our recent '£100 shopping voucher in Cowbridge' competition was Jayne Leonard of Bridgend, who chose to spend the voucher at High Street Jewellers.

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GEM columnist's book signing

GEM columnist Brian Lee will be signing copies of his new book *Cardiff Remember When* (published by Breedon Books at £17.99) at Borders bookshop on The Hayes, Cardiff, on October 31, between 12.30pm-1.30pm.

Cardiff Remember When is Brian's 20th book and his 16th about his beloved Cardiff.

He has also published four sports titles and is well known to GEM readers for his point-to-point and horse racing articles and has been contributing to the GEM for more than 20 years.

Brian, 73, is now

working on a series of books about Welsh horse racing which will include point-to-point and flapping (unlicensed) meetings and would be interested to hear from anyone with stories, photographs, press cuttings and so forth.

Brian's last horse racing book *The Welsh Grand National* (pub-

lished by Tempus at £12.99) earned the praise of the legendary National Hunt champion jockey Peter Scudamore who said that it was "an engrossing study that not only documents the history of the race, but also charts the development of National Hunt racing."



WHAT'S ON - in brief

Spiritualist Church's 'divine service'

BARRY Spiritualist Church and Centre at Buttrills Road, Barry, is holding a divine service at 6pm, on Sunday, October 25, with Andrej Djordovitch.

A demonstration of mediumship on Monday, October 26, will be held at 7pm with Marlene Abercrombie.

Cefn Cribwr WI's fashion invite

THE Friends of Cefn Cribwr WI are holding a coffee evening and Bon Marche Fashion Show on Tuesday, October 27, at 7pm, in the Cefn Cribwr Community Centre.

Entry is £1.50 to be paid at the door. The proceeds are for Ty Hafan. Please come and join us

to make this event a success and raise much-needed money for an excellent cause.

Gardening club

THE next meeting of the Cowbridge Gardening Club will be held on Thursday, October 29, at 7.30pm in the Lesser Hall when Rosamund Davies will be speaking on 'The

National Gardens Scheme'. New members are welcome.

Halloween bands

THERE is a Halloween fancy dress party with eight bands playing in Porthcawl Rugby Club on Friday, October 30, in aid of the Velindre appeal. Tickets are £5 each.

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COWBRIDGE MINI AND JUNIOR RUGBY

RUMNEY PROVE TO BE A REAL TEST FOR UNDER-7s

THE under-7s played Rumney away and this second game showed they had learned greatly from their previous match.

The home team scored first, but Cowbridge responded immediately to keep the scores level. In an even contest, this pattern was repeated to end the half 2-2.

In the second, the teams continued to exchange tries to reach 4-4. Then some excellent teamwork took Cowbridge to Rumney's try-line twice, only to be stopped after the six tags.

However, Rumney finished with a flourish, scoring three tries to end 7-4.

The result did not reflect the game, the score being level for most of the match and Cowbridge demonstrated determination, team spirit and a growing ability in both attack and defence.

Full squad: Sam Coates, Ioan Davies, Ben Farrell, Owen Godsall, David Harris, Robbie Hawkins, Harri Hawkins, Aled Leitch, Dewi Williams.

Under-9s
THIS week saw the under-9s face a strong challenge at Rumney, who are traditionally a very strong outfit.

From the outset, it was clear that the Cowbridge boys were on top of their game and they produced the performance of the season, to gain victory in both games by scores of 6-0 and 2-1. This was a superb effort from all the boys, and the coaches were ecstatic with the boys continued improvement.

Full squad: Iestyn Fenn, Ioan Williams, Bart Norton, Ben Jones, Ben Batten, Luke Martyn, Will Tuckwell, Evan Thomas, Lewis Hawke, Harry Edwards, Barney, Gabriel, Joseph, Will Jones, Jack Dixon.

Under-10s
THE under-10s were also away at Rumney – the first game got under way, with Cowbridge kicking deep into the opposition territory.

From a well-constructed back line move, Rumney took the lead, but a missed conversion for a 5-0 scoreline.

Cowbridge responded superbly and were pressing their opposition back, with and without the ball. Rumney attempted to move the ball wide and Elliot Bancroft read the play well and raced home

from 40 yards to even the scores. Rhys Bradshaw then added the conversion for a 7-5 lead to Cowbridge.

Once again, from the kick-off, Rumney were securing better quality ball but the Cowbridge defence was magnificent. In a carbon copy of the first score, Elliot Bancroft latched on to a loose pass to score his second try of the game. Luc Beattie added the conversion for a 14-5 lead.

As half-time approached, Rumney gained a penalty on the five-metre line and drove over. With a successful conversion, the half-time score read **Rumney 12 Cowbridge 14.**

The second half continued in the same vein, with both teams matched all over the park. With the clock ticking down, the Rumney boys won a turnover close to the Cowbridge line and raced over in the corner for the winning score. The conversion was added successfully for a final score of **Rumney 19 Cowbridge 14.**

The second game began with Cowbridge dominating and Jake Griffiths opened the scoring with a superb burst to the line, which Ioan Lewis converted for a 7-0 lead. The Cowbridge boys were a little sharper at the break down and from a good forward drive, Max Cunningham raced in for the second with Jake Griffiths converting.

Then came the try of the match as Cowbridge defended the ball on their own five-metre line. Dan Marshall turned over possession with some superb counter rucking, the ball was moved quickly through the backs and Max Cunningham finished things off for his second of the match.

The second half saw a closer affair and the Rumney boys, to their credit, were tackling everything and held the score for the majority of the half. Eventually the pressure told, and Rhys Davies sprinted over in the corner. Liam Murphy added the two for a lead of 26-0.

Rumney refused to let their heads drop and from a five-metre penalty, drove over for the last try of the match and a final score of **Rumney 5 Cowbridge 26.**

Full squad: Cameron Roy, Dan Marshall, Elliot Bancroft, Ellis Bird, Evan Williams, Ioan Lewis, Jac Roberts, Jake Griffiths, James Morris, Luc Beattie, Liam Murphy, Max Cunningham, Max Lucas,

Oliver Reynolds, Rhys Bradshaw, Rhys Davies, Sam Corkill.

Under-11s
COWBRIDGE lost a close encounter at Rumney by 17-5.

Tries in the first half by Tom Rogers and Ryan Thomas saw the home side take a 12-point lead before Dan Bunney completed a fine solo run to score near the corner.

The second half was a closely-fought encounter with both packs producing powerful performances with no quarter given. In the last 10 minutes, Rumney exerted tremendous pressure and despite try-saving tackles from Cai Evans and Dan Bunney, the Cowbridge defence finally cracked when Morgan Williams scored under the posts.

In the pack, Duncan Ace and Charlie Martin were tenacious in rucks and mauls, while Rhys Barnard and Osian John were the pick of the backs.

In the second match of the morning, Cowbridge defeated Rumney by 28-14.

Tries were scored by Mike Thomas, Charlie Pegrum (2) and Seán Davies, all converted by Charlie Pegrum.

Under-12s
THE Cowbridge team overcame a determined and, on occasion, overly physical Rumney RFC.

Fraser McGann burst through the Rumney defence, sprinting 35 metres for Cowbridge's first try.

The half ended with Cowbridge in the lead 12-7 after a further try by Tom Trotman.

The Cowbridge players upped the pressure in the second half, both through a powerful forward effort and a speedy backs performance – another try was scored by Trotman and the front row union of Tom Evans and George Thomas ended with one apiece.

Final score: Cowbridge 27 Rumney 7.

Cowbridge team: Owain Thomas Jenkins, Cai Thomas Jenkins, Tom Evans, George Thomas, Jac Davies, Tom Whitehouse, Fraser McGann, Luke John, Richard Hughes, Dylan Morgan, Ben Jones, Rob David, Matt Harper, Hywel Williams, Harvey Stockwell, Ashford Thomas, Gabriel Newham, Liam Sloan and Tom Trotman.

ON AND OFF THE TURF with Brian Lee

Bridgend trainer nets his biggest success yet!

BRIDGEND'S John Flint had his biggest success to date when landing the £12,500 Showcase Handicap Hurdle at Cheltenham last Saturday with his versatile five-year-old Right Option.

An 11-1 chance, Right Option was ridden by John's son Rhys, who is no stranger to Cheltenham, having previously ridden winners over the famed racecourse.

In a handy position throughout the race, Right Option won by five lengths from Factotum, ridden by champion jockey A P McCoy.

Rhys' cousin Connor Flint had earlier in the day won the final of the Charles Owen 138m pony race on his prolific Stambrook Marquessa.

Twenty-four hours later at Fontwell, Rhys riding the top-weighted Calusa Caldera for Peter

Hobbs, landed the Crabbies Alcoholic Ginger Beer Novice Chase.

Later in the day, fellow Welshman John Mathias took the Help For Heroes Handicap hurdle on ex-point-to-pointer Kisha King who is trained by Dai Rees.

M e a n w h i l e, Llancafnant trainer Evan Williams' Barizan became the season's most prolific winner under National Hunt rules when winning for the fifth time in six starts at Cheltenham last Friday.

Ridden by champion jockey A P McCoy, the long odds-on favourite came home nine lengths ahead of Riptide in the Lemington Novices' Hurdle.

Williams said: "Barizan is very uncooperative horse but AP seems to get the best out of him. The horse should have an Asbo as you cannot do anything with him."

Long trip pays off for Vaughan

MANOR PARK, a four-year-old bay gelding having his first run for Aberthaw trainer Tim Vaughan, romped home an easy five lengths winner of the Raceday Hospitality Maiden Hurdle at Wetherby

last Wednesday, October 14.

Confidently ridden by stable jockey Richard Johnson, *Manor Park* was winning for the first time in 14 starts and was Tim's 58th winner of the season. The horse, a former inmate of Jessica Harrington's yard, was running for the first time in 168 days and went to post an odds-on favourite.

All Wales 'Ploughing' championships head for Llantwit in 2010

NEXT year's All Wales Ploughing and Hedging Championships (the 51st) will be held at Boverton Place Farm, near Llantwit Major, on September 18, 2010.

This prestigious rural event – a highlight in many farming calendars – will draw competitors from all over the country into the Vale.

There will be classes which include traditional, reversible and vintage ploughing, plus the ever popular horse ploughing classes.

There will also be traditional style hedging and fencing classes with the winners qualifying for the UK, European and World championships.

The event is held in conjunction with the Royal Welsh Agricultural Society and in order to host such a large scale event, a year of fundraising is planned – starting with an 'Auction of Promises' at All Hallows Church Hall, Miskin on Friday, October 30 at 7pm. All are most welcome to attend.

Sponsorship packages for the event, plus further details, may be obtained from me on 01446 710376.

Other fund raising events are to be held in 2010 including a hog roast in Wick on May 28 and the world famous Wurzels will be entertaining everyone at a Barn Dance on June 17 in St Mary Hill.

JANE JOHN

Under-12s hang on against Llanishen

LLANTWIT Major under-12s welcomed Llanishen to the recreation ground on Sunday, eager to avenge a recent loss at the Barry Vale tournament.

The home side started strongly, playing uphill with the forwards driving well at the rucks and mauls, setting up quality ball for the backs, ably fed by scrum-half Owen Jauncey who had a great game.

Midway through the first half, Llantwit got the ball to Richard Dangerfield, who went on one of his trademark weaving runs from 60 metres out, finishing off between the posts and setting up outside-half Iestyn Jones, who successfully converted.

The second half was hard going for Llantwit who were up against a driving Llanishen side

who were putting on the pressure.

Last ditch cover tackling by Llantwit, especially Joe Griffiths and Keiron West, stopped Llanishen from scoring for most of the half.

Then, 10 minutes from the end, Llanishen finally broke through and scored but failed to convert. With the score at 7-5 to Llantwit, the last minutes of the match were very intense.

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Llantwit junior rugby registration

LLANTWIT Major RFC Mini and Juniors registration day is this Sunday, October 25, at 10.30am.

Anyone who missed our first date will have the opportunity to register with the club.

Registration requirements: Re-registering: £15 registration fee; Initial registration: three passport-sized photos and a £15 registration fee.

If you are no longer playing, please can you return your match top to the clubhouse to ensure there is sufficient kit for this season's players.

Richard Godwin
(Llantwit Major RFC mini and juniors)

PENARTH AND DISTRICT RAMBLERS NEWS

A wonderful walk across the Vale, making a start in 'Owen's Valley'

RECENTLY, Geraint Thomas and his trusty sheep-dog Patch played host to 10 ramblers who joined them for a walk in the lovely Vale.

Blue skies, warm sunshine and beautiful clean fresh air were the order of the day as the group set out in near perfect walking conditions.

They began from the pretty village of Ystradowen – meaning 'Owen's Valley', where the village church was rebuilt entirely in 1867 and is dedicated to St Owain.

They headed to the disused railway line, opened in 1892 as a branch line that connected the lime kilns and small harbour at

Aberthaw to the Great Western Railway at Llantrisant, via Cowbridge.

Unfortunately, the line was not greatly favoured by passenger traffic and that part of the railway was shut down in 1930.

Crossing the old railway line, they climbed uphill to the bramble-covered remains of Talyfan Castle. Standing on a low hill-top between

Ystradowen and Welsh St Donats and established in 1245 by Richard de Clare, it was a grand medieval castle that was maintained into the 15th century but fell into ruins by the early 16th century.

Moving on they reached the densely wooded Hensol Forest and made their way to

Welsh St Donats, where they were pleased to be invited into the striking Norman church with its old gravestone flagged floor, named after the 6th century St Donat (Sain Dunwyd), a friend of St Cadoc.

Crossing fields containing horses and ponies with glorious views across to Penllyn Castle, which stands on a low cliff set in woodland above the Thaw valley, the group made their way to Aberthaw.

Aberthaw, named after the Nant y Berthyn Brook, has no church and no shops, but contains two pubs to cater for thirsty travellers. When the village hall was built in 1749, it was created as Wales' second purpose-built Calvinistic Methodist meeting

house.

Moving on to Newton Moor, the group headed up to the tiny hamlet of Pen y Lan and some rather tricky stiles where extra bars had been added to the initial stiles to make them higher.

Then, finally, they returned downhill back to Ystradowen via its tree-crowned Norman motte.

At the end a calculation was made and during this six-mile walk, the group, despite wherever possible using gates instead of stiles, had crossed 38 stiles, living proof that even short walks can make you fit – at least that was the leader's excuse!

On October 24, meet at 9am at the Barry Waterfront for a 9-mile

moderate walk at Oxwich and Horton at Gower; contact Joy on 01446 737131.

On October 25, meet at 9.30am at the Barry Waterfront for a 5-mile moderate/hard walk at the Clydach Gorge; contact Janet/John on 01446 418514.

Wear suitable clothing, preferably boots and carry waterproofs, food and drinks. Some degree of fitness is required and if you are in any doubt, then please contact the walk leader for advice. For other groups' walk log onto

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JOY STRANGWARD

KENFIG HILL RUGBY ROUND-UP

Kenfig First XV backs have too much pace for Bryncoch

KENFIG HILL Firsts played at Bryncoch and had to make a change just prior to the game when captain Rhodri Clark withdrew.

However, Ray Evans was more than up to the job as replacement at outside centre. The Mules started in positive mode, playing open attacking rugby and were rewarded with a try by full back Scott Hancock.

Kenfig then lost winger Owen Attwood who was stretched off with an ankle injury (fortunately not broken). However, they then gave away two soft penalties which Dave Higgins, the Queensland-born Bryncoch outside half, put between the posts.

Kenfig Hill then put the home side under considerable pressure and a sliced clearance kick was caught by centre Nicky Morgan, who glided past the covering defence to score, converted by outside half Gareth Lewis.

There followed some entertaining rugby for the rest of the half with Higgins scoring another penalty for Bryncoch. Half-time score: Kenfig Hill 12, Bryncoch 9.

Higgins then put over another penalty straight from the kick off and the Mules went straight back on the attack and centre Ray Evans finished off a slick passing movement with a try in the corner. Lewis added a penalty for the Mules. Higgins then put over his fifth penalty of the game.

Scott Hancock then finished off another

attack with his second try of the game. This was followed by a moment of magic by winger Steve Shalders, who used his considerable pace to score a long range try. Bryncoch never gave up and their winger Richard Smith sped over for a try.

With Kenfig Hill finally giving the ball to Shalders, there was a buzz of excitement from both sets of supporters when he received the ball and he did not let them down with another fine try, converted by Lewis.

Final score: Kenfig Hill 37, Bryncoch 20.

Both sides played open attacking rugby, which was enjoyed by both sets of spectators. The referee named Steve Shalders as the Kenfig man of the match.

The Kenfig Hill front five of Darren Wainright, Lee Williams, Gavin Reffell, Scott Hancock and Gareth Raikes all had good games, with Shalders, Ray Evans and Nicky Morgan shining in the back division.

Kenfig Hill Seconds v Tondur
THE seconds played well and were disappointed to lose 12-20 at Tondur.

For Kenfig Hill, Rhys Stanton and Chris Jenkins scored a try each, with Jamie Meers putting over a conversion. David Dent gave an outstanding display in the back row for Kenfig.

Kenfig Hill/Cornelly Youth v Pencoed
CORNELLY Youth

were outstanding, defeating Pencoed 52-7.

The whole team played well, with Rhys Miles, Jamie Uren and Shaun Burnell having outstanding games.

Cornelly scorers were:- Tries Rhys Miles (three), Josh Davies (two), Gareth Harvey, Lewis Morgan and Shaun Burnell, conversions Shaun Burnell (six).

Under-9s
ON another lovely morning for rugby, Kenfig Hill under-9s again had a big turnout of 19 players against a depleted Brynecethin side who, due to illness only had seven players, but they agreed to play three 'thirds' of seven minutes each way, to help give all the young Mules game time.

In the first third, Kenfig opened the scoring with a lovely individual try from Connor Brace and then some really good work in the maul from Kenfig led to Nico Evans ripping the ball and speeding away to score, making the score at the end of the first third 2-0.

Kenfig changed the whole team for the second third and it was a hard fought seven minutes from both sides. It was end to end stuff but the defence from both teams was exceptional, and a Brynecethin drive on the home try line came to nothing with really resilient defending from Phil Burnell, Connor Farnham, Sion Jones and Leon Jones. So the score at the end of the second third was still 2-0 to the young Mules.

For the 'third third' the Kenfig team was changed again and Brynecethin scored straight from kick off to make things a little uneasy for Kenfig.

However, a lovely team effort, involving recycling the ball, excellent cleaning out from Dante Phillips, Connor Brace and Phil Burnell, good hands and good passing from Cam Jenkins and Kyle Williams and good communication from Brace saw him scamper away and score to make the score 3-1.

Then Brynecethin hit back, camping on the Kenfig line, but again some good defence from Gareth Davies held them out for a few minutes until Bryn eventually crashed over to make it 3-2.

Straight from the off though the ball was passed through a few sets of hands and it came to Connor Brace whose pace saw him outstrip the Bryn defence to bag his hat-trick.

A few changes were then made again for the Mules and Bryn hit back with another try to make

the score 4-3 to the Mules, but a lovely well worked team effort ended with live wire Nico Evans grabbing his second and then a fine solo run, using his side step and dummy to full effect, saw Jack Underhill go nearly the length of the field to seal the victory for Kenfig Hill.

There was a late consolation try for Bryn but it was not enough and the Mules held. Phil Burnell had his best game yet in the Mules jersey and there were some other good performances from Leon Jones, Sion Jones, Connor Farnham, Gareth Davies and Taylor Harvey.

Final score: Kenfig Hill 6, Brynecethin 4.

Under-8s
KENFIG Hill under-8s and visitors Brynecethin showed that rugby is a great way to entertain a large Sunday morning crowd. Every youngster gave their all from start to finish in two highly competitive games filled with skill and commitment.

The under-8s got the day off to a cracking start, the home side just falling short with a five-seven loss. Captain Dylan Pearson collected two tries including a mazy run that covered half the length of the pitch. The skipper was matched by hard running scores from Jack Rundle (two) and by a support-score from Kieran Tantom.

Cameron Trehar had his most impressive game of the season and Tom Watkins supported the ball carrier superbly, always on hand to take a pass and continue moving forward. Thomas Llewellyn and Rhys Watkinson are learning the game and becoming increasingly involved.

Connor John expertly marshalled Kenfig Hill's defensive line and Connor Hill's tagging was outstanding. Calvin Gorringer and Oliver Roberts ran themselves ragged chasing down the opposition.

CONTINUING the entertainment of the previous game were the under-7s, both sides involved equally in an absolute thriller.

Captained by a workmanlike Connor Jenkins, honours were even after a first half that saw eight excellent tries. It was, however, the try-scoring instinct of Jack Davies that kept the Mules in the game. He scored all four first half tries in a mighty impressive six-try personal performance.

Despite the ferocious pace of the first half, the young Mules managed to step up a gear in the second half. With Oliver Pinches leading an aggressive defence,

Ewan Davies, Joshua Jones and Ewan Orchard thwarted the attacking efforts of Brynecethin.

Kenfig Hill, encouraged by their defence, attacked with pace through Callum Hill, supported at close quarters by Dafydd Jones and George Buckley.

A sprint finish by Alex Underhill and a tight, spinning try for twin brother Mark Underhill capped a fantastic all-round display by the under-7s squad.

A proud early-season unbeaten record was maintained against very good opposition.

Under-12s win away
THE under-12s put in another excellent team performance to win at Pencoed.

The young Mules worked extremely hard against a well-organised Pencoed team. Both teams played the game at a frantic pace, with both sets of forwards pressurising at every opportunity.

The game was in dead-lock for the first 20 minutes, then the Mules pack provided quick ball just within their half to Liam Evans, who produced a lightning break from outside half, racing all the way to score under the posts, with Connor Tantom converting.

After this, Pencoed piled on the pressure with some strong running at centre, which would have created a score if it was not for a terrific covering tackle.

The second half was very much the same with both packs applying pressure. The telling difference was the defensive tackling of the Mules pushing Pencoed back at every breakdown. The Mules back-line created problems for Pencoed, with Sam Young to the fore.

At this point, the Mules pack started to dominate Pencoed with ferocious rucking with Ryan Copper, Ollie Knapp and Nathan Herbert hitting the rucks as one. A penalty was awarded on Pencoed's 10-metre line with Josh Dixon going on a trademark run, scoring the Mules' second try.

In the final quarter the Mules were now in control, with the pack forcing the play at every occasion. This resulted in Connor Tantom going in at the corner. Pick of the forwards was Nathan Jones and Cory Willmot, with Ross Hooper and Joel Pearce playing well in the backs.

Final score: Pencoed 0, Kenfig Hill 17.

Pencoed under-12s are under strength

Pencoed under-12s entertained Kenfig Hill at the weekend and suffered their second defeat in a row for the first time.

It was the second week in succession with a depleted squad and with six key players out of action, it was always going to be a tough ask against a confident Kenfig Hill outfit.

The Pencoed forwards were second best and the backline again put in another below par performance.

Kenfig Hill, on the other hand, rucked ferociously and their tackling was superb. They ran in three unanswered tries to take a deserved 17-0

win over the hosts.

There was one positive to come out of the game, as Tomos Morgan was back to his best with a man-of-the-match performance.

Pencoed squad: Dylan Barrett, Morgan Burgess, Lewis Butler, Chris Carr, Connor Goldsworthy, Cian Griffiths, Owen Lake, Rhodri Lewis, Aaron Leyshon, Morgan Llewellyn, Jacob Lloyd, Tyler Maidment, Tomos Morgan, Kieran Parrish, Sam Rowland-Jones, James Thomas and Dan Watkins.

SB

Under-11s entertain in two excellent encounters

PENCOED under 11s travelled to Treharris on another sunny Sunday morning for what turned out to be two excellent games of mini rugby.

Treharris have a great reputation and together with Pencoed, were undefeated this season.

With two large squads assembled, it was agreed to play two games. With a narrow pitch and a big Treharris pack, Pencoed knew they had to meet the challenge head on.

Game one kicked off with a strong drive into the heart of the Treharris defence by Zachary Taylor, which produced quick ball for fly-half Cameron Fyvie-Davies to dummy and side-step his way through for an excellent individual try.

Pencoed then started to turn over possession, allowing Treharris to get a foothold on the Pencoed line, and from this, Treharris forced their way over to equal the scores.

The second half started with Pencoed on the attack, with the impressive Dewi Parrish and Lewis Miller causing chaos in the Treharris defence.

Dan Watts was now starting to dominate the

line out, allowing scrum-half Callum Palmer to provide the Pencoed backs with a steady supply of ball.

The dangerous Tommy Reffell, Brandon Thrasher and Joshua Raikes had little room to work in, but still caused Treharris problems every time they had the ball.

With the game in the balance, it took substitute Dewi Cassley to break the deadlock, burrowing his way to the try line.

The final move of the game produced a superb try in the corner for the hard working Cary Davies. Coach Gary Reffell was quick to note that Pencoed did not miss a single tackle during the game.

Final score: Treharris 7 - Pencoed 21.

Game two allowed Pencoed to change almost the entire team. New to the pack were Iwan Krieger, Corey Williams and Rhys Ward, and the backs now consisted of Daniel Jakeway, Morgan Allen, Garwyn Williams, Max Brennan and Calum Blackman.

Pencoed again started to apply early pressure and a charge from Rhys Ward set up an early try for the strong running Allen.

Pencoed backs then orchestrated a fine try for Garwyn Williams as they continued to dominate possession.

Treharris scored a fine try of their own, leaving the score 14-7 to Pencoed at half-time.

Pencoed upped the pace at the start of the second half with Jakeway and Krieger leading the way. The Pencoed forwards secured quality ball, and moved it out to the flying wing Calum Blackman, who outstripped the Treharris defence to score in the corner.

Treharris refused to give up and scored another excellent try, but back came Pencoed with Corey Williams powering up field. The ball was taken on by Max Brennan, who forced his way over the line with half the Treharris team on his back for what turned out to be the final score of the game.

Final score: Treharris 14 Pencoed 28.

It was a pleasure to watch both games involving two excellent squads.

Each game was played in a tremendous spirit and Pencoed look forward to the return match early next year.

LT

Crusaders' Chan picked to play in Pacific Cup

JASON CHAN has been named in Papua New Guinea's 20-man squad for the Pacific Cup in Port Moresby, the capital of Papua New Guinea.

Chan, who will return to training with the Crusaders in late November, is the only non-Welsh Crusader involved in international rugby league this autumn, with the possibility of 12 of his teammates starting for Wales this autumn.

"I've been in camp for a bit over two and a half weeks," said Chan.

"The training is really tough and it makes it harder in the heat and high humidity, it's nearly 30-35 degrees every day."

Chan played for the International Kumuls last week against a PNG Residents side, scoring a try in their 24-20 win.

"We played the game in Mount Hagan and there was a crowd of 10,000.

"The fans were everywhere, there wasn't a space free in the stands.

"I got a try before half-time and ended up with man of the match.

Chan is in a confident mood about the competition: "I am excited to play against Tonga next Sunday. I think we will beat them and take out the Grand Final game after that.

"Training for so long and hard and only playing three or four games makes you really hungry to play and play well."

Pencoed under-10s earn a comfortable victory

PENCOED under-10s travelled to Hailey Park, Cardiff, to take on Llandaff North, and they turned on the style in what was an accomplished display of open running rugby.

Despite only having 11 players available, each player worked hard in another great team performance.

The Pencoed forwards secured the lion's share of possession in the tight exchanges, and Jack Mordecai in particular excelled in the tight with a fine display of strength and determination.

He was supported upfront by a Pencoed pack who always managed to keep themselves on the front foot. Dan Morris was drafted into the pack from his usual

centre berth and his physical presence contributed to much of the forward momentum and he was rewarded with a try.

Scrum-half Sion Clarke led by example, his darting breaks and tenacious tackling inspiring those around him, and his two tries were just reward for an excellent performance.

Mordecai managed to chalk up an impressive hat-trick, with his cousin Leon Hathway keeping it in the family with two of his own.

The Pencoed backs made some fine breaks although the ball rarely

got to the wings, but this improved as the game wore on and both wings benefited, with Lewis Davies and debutant Josh Russell scoring their first tries for their new club.

This game was played in great spirit and both sets of players have to be congratulated for their 'fair play' and generous support towards each other both during and after the game.

The final score was Pencoed 10 (tries) - Llandaff North 0. The man-of-the-match vote went to Jack Mordecai.

SC

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Howe hat-trick seals Bridgend Town victory



Under-12s.

AFTER three disappointing results, Bridgend Town under-12s got their title challenge back on track with an impressive 5-0 win over a lively Aberkenfig side, keeping them fifth in the league, and in touching distance of the leaders.

In glorious sunshine not seen all summer, Bridgend attacked from the outset and only a spectacular save from the Aberkenfig keeper, as he clawed the ball from the goal-line, prevented them taking a very early lead.

The pressure continued, however, and it was Bridgend's energetic left-winger Liam Howe who broke the deadlock with a well worked goal. Tom Shepherd also netted from a tight angle before the half-time whistle, to make sure the home side went into the break with a two-goal lead.

Aberkenfig were far from beaten though, and their forwards always looked dangerous as they strove to counter-attack, forcing Bridgend's defence to keep their concentration.

Luckily, the two centre-backs Rhys Felton and Gareth Jones, have forged a partnership to

rival Terry and Ferdinand and the team kept another clean sheet.

After the half-time break, working tirelessly up and down the left flank, Liam Howe added a further two before being substituted, and Thomas Shepherd also scored from a corner to make the game safe.

Final score: Bridgend 5, Aberkenfig 0.

Bridgend are still looking to strengthen the squad, and prospective players should contact coach Andrew Morgan on 07876 388627.

Training is now indoors, every Thursday evening in Bryntirion Comprehensive School.

GEM QUIZ LEAGUE REPORT

Three teams set quiz league pace

IN the matches played on Monday, October 12, most teams found the written section a bit tough, resulting in final scores being below par.

In Division One three teams remain on 100 per cent. Royal Oak Nomads who beat Royal Oak Royals 46-35, Maesteg Catholic Club who had a 40-35 victory against Oldcastle 'A' and Mackworth Arms, 43-39 winners at home to Prince of Wales 'A'.

Llynfi Arms won at Llangeinor AFC by 42-35 and Tondy Railway Club got their first win by beating Laleston Inn 'A' 37-32. The Tondy team thought Laleston's performance, considering they were below strength, deserved praise.

In Division Two there are also three sides with maximum points. Cabo Roche were 42-39 winners at Oldcastle 'B', Prince of Wales 'B', who had a big win against Llangeinor Arms by 51-35, and Swan Poachers who won 46-37 at Pyle RFC.

A surprisingly low score was achieved by Heol-y-Cyw RFC, who got 28 at the Oddfellows

Arms who managed 45. Laleston Inn 'B' took the two points when their scheduled opponents, the Gamekeepers, were unable to raise a team **HERE are this week's 'four-for-thought':**

1) In the Watergate scandal, by what nickname was the anonymous informer of Bernstein & Woodward famously known?

2) Which Conservative politician, who died in 1982, held, during his Parliamentary career, the position of Foreign Secretary, Chancellor of the Exchequer and Home Secretary between 1951-64 but never became Prime Minister?

3) Which famous race has been won by Patricia's Rocket, Sarah's Bunny, Rapid Ranger and Allen Gift?

4) Which English chemist isolated 'Fixed Air' (carbon dioxide) and 'Inflammable Air' (hydrogen)?

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1. Deep Throat.
2. R.A. Butler.
3. Greyhound Derby.
4. Ruthenford.

Porthcawl under-13s play just like Ospreys (they let a big lead slip!)

PORHCRAWL under-13s welcomed neighbours Tondy and a tough challenge was expected.

During the first minutes of the game the teams appeared evenly matched, both teams attacking and defending resolutely. The breakthrough came with a strong run by Porthcawl's No 8 who scored under the posts from 40 metres. The following conversion was successful from Jack Power.

The Panthers defended resolutely against a period of Tondy pressure, and then put together some superb phases of attacking play to apply pressure on Porthcawl.

The first half ended with Porthcawl in the ascendancy and leading 7-0.

The second half continued as the first left off, and it wasn't long before the Panthers pressure paid off. The ball was worked well to the wing for Cory Gardner to cross for an excellent team score.

The game continued in the same mode, with Porthcawl defending

well against a very good Tondy 15. The Panthers again started to attack and one attack saw a clever kick over the Tondy defence, with the Porthcawl players quickly on to the loose ball, and a quick offload gave Joe Downes the Panthers third try out wide.

The score was now 17-0 to Porthcawl and the visitors looked a little shocked.

After a period of sustained pressure from Tondy, Porthcawl knocked on near the posts when trying to defend, the referee played advantage and the alert Tondy players capitalised, driving over to bring the score to 17-7.

With 10 minutes left,

the game took a different dimension, with both teams putting in superb effort in attack and defence. The Tondy players never threw in the towel and it was Tondy who scored next, their speedy winger crossing in the corner.

The Panthers were still in the lead going into the last five minutes at 17-12, but it was Tondy who had the last say in the game with another try scored out wide in injury time. **Final score: 17-17.**

The Panthers will be disappointed to have let Tondy off the hook in this encounter but must be pleased with a fantastic performance against a very strong Tondy team.

MF

Young Seaweeds enjoy victory

FRESH from an away victory over Bridgend under-14s (25-7), the young Seaweeds travelled the short distance along the M4 to take another scalp and score over 50 points in the process.

With backs and forwards committed to running rugby, Porthcawl scored nine tries without response and it was an indication of 15-man game that the tries were scored by individuals.

Porthcawl set out their stall when Andrew Wilcox, supporting good work from the backs, scored the first try.

He was soon followed over the line by Jim Needs and Josh Ryan Rose.

Two further tries were scored by Ollie Banner and Lewis Simpson, and with Jim Needs converting one, the score at half time was 27-0 to Porthcawl.

The Porthcawl coaches brought on all the subs for the second half but this had no effect on the standards set.

Morgan Thomas and Ross Jenkins soon added their names to the score sheet with two well worked tries.

These were soon followed by a barnstorming run from Jon Lodwig and the final try by Jobe Owens.

Aided by two conversions from Needs, the final score was 51-0 to the away team.

CW

Rampant Pencoeed secure victory

PENCOEED under-12s welcomed Bridgend Town on the weekend and Pencoeed started the better of the two teams, but missed some great opportunities to open the scoring.

After 10 minutes Connor Goldsworthy scored the opener and not long after he crossed in a lovely ball from a corner which Evan Price headed straight into Bridgend Town's goal to make it 2-0.

Jordan Burrows scored Pencoeed's third goal just before half time. Pencoeed started the second half with some changes and welcomed back Lewis Butler, who had been out with a groin injury.

Pencoeed began well

with Mason Roach scoring a lovely goal to make it 4-0, and they continued pressing Bridgend Town's backline but the defence battled well to keep Pencoeed out.

It wasn't long before Jordan Burrows managed to use his pace and strength to take Pencoeed into a 5-0 lead. Bridgend had an opportunity to get on the score sheet, but Pencoeed's defence made a brilliant recovery to keep them out.

Pencoeed then made it 6-0 from a lovely strike scored by Lewis Butler. Pencoeed made a few more changes and with his first touch of the game Aaron Leyshon scored Pencoeed's seventh goal.

This was a powerful performance by Pencoeed who are still unbeaten. **Final score: 7-0.**

CG

BRYNCETHIN JUNIOR AND MINI RUGBY ROUNDUP

Local derby produces great running rugby

Under-7s

In a really closely contested game, Bryncethin under-7s played their first fixture of the season away against an unbeaten Kenfig Hill team, and an excellent display of running rugby by both teams ensured that the match result was in doubt right up until the final whistle.

Tremendous play from Jake Whitefield and Ifan Hunnam (two tries) opened the scoring for Bryncethin. Each time, however, the Kenfig Hill youngsters levelled with well-crafted tries of their own.

A lovely individual effort from Shaun Batchelor looked to give Bryncethin the lead going into the interval, but Kenfig Hill again drew level with the final play of the half, giving a 4-4 score line.

The second half started with the home team applying early pressure for a try to give them the lead for the first time. This score was then cancelled out by Bryncethin with a superb line break, Mike Gillette taking the pass and darting from inside his own half to cross in the corner.

Miles Blakeman went agonisingly close to claiming a fantastic individual try, and Rhys Cawley was called back after making a clean break for a foot in touch. With the Bryncethin youngsters tiring, Kenfig Hill introduced fresh legs and gained a

two-point lead with successive tries.

A superb break by Rhys Cawley resulted in his deserved try, as he evaded the defensive challenges and crossed the line unopposed. With Bryncethin pushing for the equalising score, the ball was lost in midfield and Kenfig Hill scored with a breakaway to complete their win.

Despite the loss, this was still an excellent effort in attack and defence by Bryncethin. Kane Walters impressed on his club debut, with Thomas Bassett and Holly Morgan giving enthusiastic performances.

The stand-out performance, however, went to Rhys Cawley for his unrelenting commitment throughout the whole game, keep it up!

Final score: Kenfig Hill 8 - Bryncethin 6

Squad: Miles Blakeman (captain), Thomas Bassett, Shaun Batchelor, Rhys Cawley, Mike Gillette, Ifan Hunnam, Holly Morgan, Kane Walters, Jake Whitefield, Rhys Williams.

Under-8s Bryncethin under-8s travelled to Kenfig Hill and continued their excellent start to the season by returning deserved winners against 'The Mules' in an entertaining and close game of rugby.

Ifan Hunnam opened the scoring for Bryncethin, finishing off the first attack with some exquisite evasive running. Rhys Williams claimed his two first-half tries follow-

ing terrific support play and excellent team passing.

Kenfig Hill, however, responded to each touchdown with well-worked tries of their own, levelling the score on each occasion.

With seconds of the half remaining, a determined run from Rhys Cawley resulted in a deft pass to Mike Gillette, who broke through the defensive line to finish in the corner. This score gave Bryncethin a hard-earned 4-3 half-time lead.

Bryncethin increased the game tempo and applied pressure from the restart, continuing their strong running and impressive handling. Rhys Williams again showed superb pace and exceptional support play, ending wonderful passing moves with two further tries.

Outstanding tagging displays by Billy Sinclair and Josh Nuth ensured that Kenfig Hill could only manage to respond with two second-half scores.

The Bryncethin scoring was finally completed by Jake Whitefield, who raced through the covering defence after being put into space by Shea Francis.

Another superb team effort of enterprising running rugby sealed the Bryncethin win. This week's stand-out performance award went to Rhys Williams for his superb decision making in attack, which resulted in his four tries - well done!

Final score: Kenfig Hill 5 - Bryncethin 7

Squad: Josh Nuth (captain), Rhys Cawley, Shea Francis, Mike Gillette, Ifan Hunnam, Billy Sinclair, Jake

Whitefield, Rhys Williams.

Under 9s

Due to illness Bryncethin travelled to Kenfig Hill with a small squad of seven, so thanks must go to youngsters Shea Francis and Billy Sinclair for stepping up to provide cover from the bench.

A strong start to the match saw Bryncethin make good progress into Kenfig territory. Good work from Jack Thomas and Josh Napper kept Bryncethin going forward but, following a quick turnover, Kenfig Hill were able to break upfield to open the scoring.

The same pattern followed soon after, with more good work from Daniel Osarigie and Davis Pilkington being undone when Kenfig broke away for a second.

However, the Bryncethin boys didn't let this setback get them down. Another strong phase of rugby, with Dylan Evans showing up well, allowed Jack Thomas to pass to Tobias Hunt, who picked a good angle and used his power to break the defence and score.

With the game now opening up, Kenfig were able to score a third to maintain their two-try cushion. Daniel Osarigie was now getting more into the game, with his terrific defensive work and pace in attack causing problems.

Tobias Hunt was again on hand to take a pass and this time drove over to score with defenders hanging onto him.

Kenfig soon hit back to score again but Bryncethin were showing greater purpose as the game progressed and, following good work by Rhys Davies, Tobias Hunt was able to cross for his third try.

With Kenfig Hill having a large squad, they were able to make changes at will and this told, with Bryncethin starting to tire and lose momentum. Kenfig were able to score two further tries to pull away from Bryncethin.

The fresh legs of Shea Francis and Billy Sinclair gave a lift to Bryncethin. Shea made a couple of good solid tackles and Billy showed his pace and a couple of runs. Great credit goes to Bryncethin, who scored the last try of the match with a fine effort from Rhys Davies.

Final score: Kenfig Hill 6 - Bryncethin 4

Squad: Davis Pilkington (captain), Josh Napper, Jack Thomas, Tobias Hunt, Rhys Davies, Daniel Osarigie, Dylan Evans, Shea Francis and Billy Sinclair.

Man of the Day: Every player deserved the award for all their efforts. They can be rightly proud of the attitude and performance in both attack and defence.

However, the award went to Tobias Hunt to acknowledge his all-round play and his three tries.

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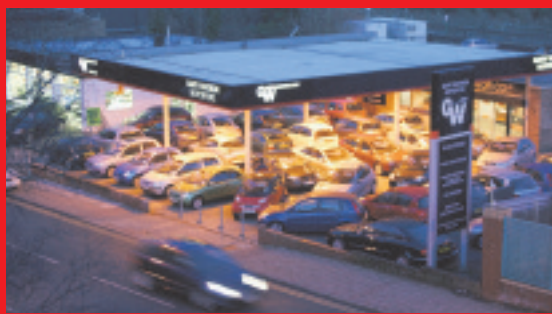
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KARTING STAR TOM ACHIEVES GOAL BY MAKING RIGHT MOVES

TOM HARVEY sent out a warning of intent to his rivals by bouncing back from a stay in hospital to secure a brilliant breakthrough British triumph in the final meeting of 2009 in the Lewis Hamilton and Bernie Ecclestone-backed Formula Kart Stars (FKS) Championship.

Having entered only a handful of FKS rounds last year, Tom's stated objective for this season was a top 15 championship finish to earn

himself a seeded number for 2010.

He has accomplished that goal in style.

Since switching teams mid-season to Fusion Motorsport, the Bonvilton ace has made impressive progress, but his participation in the FKS finale at Whilton Mill in Northamptonshire looked to be in serious doubt after he was rushed into hospital the Monday before the weekend with suspected kidney problems.

However, motivated by the desire to improve by at least five spots from the 20th position he occupied in the points standings ahead of the meeting, Tom was deter-

mined that nothing was going to stop him.

"I really wanted a number in FKS for next year," he confessed.

"The weekend before we had been at Whilton for a club meeting and we had been pushing George Russell, who went on to win the FKS championship – that gave me a huge confidence boost."

A close and hard-fought victory in heat one on Saturday was followed by a stunning second place from 26th on the starting grid in heat two – setting fastest lap along the way for good measure, and a frustrated and unlucky sixth position in heat three left Tom to begin the all-

important grand final from third.

"Connor Jupp, Ricky Collard and I broke away from the pack," the 11-year-old recalled.

"On the last lap Ricky overtook me coming down the hill, but I managed to get back into his tow going along the straight and coming into the 'Boot' section I went wide, because I knew he would go for the inside.

"That allowed me to get the cut-back on him on the exit like I had planned.

"I couldn't stop celebrating on the slowing-down lap. I was over-the-moon to have won a round of FKS for the first time – I'd seriously never expected to do that this year."

It was a superb performance, and reflecting at the end of the weekend, the Cowbridge High School pupil made a point of thanking his team manager, his dad, for being an excellent mechanic, engine-builder Leon Soixante and P1 Racing team boss Richard Amos for prior driving tuition.

Summarising the year as a whole – one that has also seen him clinch the Welsh 'C' Plate honours at his home circuit of Llandow and the Midland Championships at Rissington, prevailing

in all three heats and the final as well as breaking a four-year-old lap record along the way to emulate the feat of F1 World Champion Jenson Button at the same age almost 20 years earlier – Tom admitted that it had far exceeded his expectations.

As he eyes a full-on title charge in 2010 with the number 13 proudly

adorning his kart after successfully achieving his top 15 goal, the Vale of Glamorgan speed demon has high hopes of following in the wheel-tracks of F1's youngest-ever world champion Hamilton, who himself lifted the laurels in FKS' predecessor, McLaren-Mercedes Champions of the Future, 13 years ago. **RA**

Point-to-point season begins

by BRIAN LEE

THE point-to-point season gets under way with the Black Forest Club meeting at Black Forest Lodge on November 29.

A must for all hunting owners, trainers and riders is the Point-To-Point & Hunter Chase Planner 2009/10 (obtainable from Weatherbys Chase, Sanders Road, Wellingborough, Northants, NN8 4BX at £25).

This 440 page annual is a mine of information and it includes a chronological index and race

conditions for all the point-to-points and hunter chases to be run during the coming season.

There's a section on pony racing, useful telephone numbers, information for owners and riders and much, much more.

The Welsh season gets under way earlier than ever with a special West Wales Area Club fixture at Lydstep, near Tenby, on January 3. Racing will start at 11.30am with an open maiden race for mares, and with only one other meeting, the North Norfolk, to be run the same day, a bumper entry can be expected.



ABOVE: Tom savours his podium finish. Picture courtesy of Chris Walker/www.kartpix.net

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GEM sport

Police deliver an arresting performance on the rugby pitch

THE Police visited Ogmores Vale and knew they needed to start from the first whistle.

They made their intentions clear within two minutes, a good forward drive saw the ball go blind for winger Mark Down to go over in the corner for the first try.

The Police seemed to step up a gear, with influential half backs Nathan Williams and Ryan Miles looking to split the home defence on every opportunity that came their way.

The second score came when wing Mark Down dived over in the same corner for his second try.

The Police extended their lead with outside half Ryan Miles slotting over a penalty, and while Ogmores were always looking to attack, they were kept at bay by

OGMORE VALE 3
SOUTH WALES POLICE 32

some solid defence work from the back row of James Davies, Sean Ellis and Gary Money.

Continued pressure did result however, in Ogmores getting their first points with a well-taken penalty.

In the second half, it looked to be a matter of time before the Police added further points, and those points came from captain on the day, Carl Davies, who went on one of his trade mark breaks, crashing through a number of Ogmores tackles to dive over for a well-deserved try.

Outside half Ryan Miles added the two points.

The Police backs were looking dangerous and after winning a scrum, the ball eventually ended up in the hands of replacement scrum half Dylan Rees to go over

for the bonus point try.

The Police weren't finished yet and from the line out the ball was spread wide by Miles for Rod Jenkins to go on another solo run.

The pass to Matt Cunningham allowed him to weave his way over for try number five, as Miles added two extra points to sign off a solid team performance.

The second row partnership of Chris Price and Chris Davies provided good ball for the Police backs throughout the day, with No 8 James Davies always looking dangerous with ball in hand.

This week the Police welcome Brynccethin to Waterton Cross, while the Police Youth make the short journey to Maesteg.

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NARBERTH SHOW MORE COMPOSURE AS BRIDGEND ATHLETIC SLIP TO DEFEAT

SO far this season, rugby supporters have been blessed with autumn sunshine on every Saturday and this was no exception.

It was these conditions that Bridgend Athletic needed to exploit in the early part of their league campaign but results have been very much a mixed bag.

Narberth had made a surprisingly poor start to their season and were languishing near the bottom of the table with only one win to date.

That win had been at Bridgend Ravens on the opening day of the season and Bridgend was to prove a happy hunting ground for them on this occasion as well.

Both sides opened at a furious pace with the ball being moved into space at every opportunity.

Narberth had the better of these early exchanges territorially though both sides tackled and harried at the

BRIDGEND ATHLETIC 18
NARBERTH 24

breakdown, causing turn overs or forcing penalties. On two occasions Narberth missed out on scoring opportunities in the first 10 minutes, as right wing John Morgan was bundled into touch five metres from the home try line, and then the visitors were called back for a forward pass with the line at their mercy.

The home team weathered the storm well and fought back gamely as good work by fly-half Steve Lewis and youth team centre James Olds released Jonny Nation to carry the ball into the Narberth half.

When another bout of interpassing down the right caused the Otters to give away a penalty, Lewis stepped up to give the Athletic the lead.

From the kick off the Athletic retained possession well and left wing Rob Coles surged into the visitors 22 – the

indefatigable Sean Williams was right there to take the scoring pass for a try which Lewis converted.

The Athletic continued to press and appeared to be getting the upper hand and only a despairing high tackle by Narberth full-back Matthew Davies saved the day.

It did not save him though, and he was sent to the sidelines for 10 minutes by referee Mr Perkins.

This set back seemed to fire-up the Narberth players and they drove the Athletic back into their half.

Some concerted driving play and hard running first of all forced Olds to kill the ball at a maul and then second row Jamie Doherty slowed down play close to the Ath line.

Both players went to the bin. Narberth kicked to touch and drove over from the resulting line-out, using their man advantage to good effect.

Half-time score: Bridgend Athletic 10, Narberth 5.

From the start of the second half Narberth went on the offensive and only spirited counter surges by the Athletic kept them at bay.

Eventually the pressure told and a converted try put Narberth two points clear.

The visitors maintained their stranglehold and kept the Athletic penned in their own half and two long range penalties by their fly-half Craig Jones just missed.

LEFT: A line-out take by Jamie Doherty. (Photos by Glennsports).

BELOW: Ath scrum half Luke Hopper in possession.



The penalty count was very much in Narberth's favour due to the desperate defensive work of the home team, and things went from bad to worse when visiting No 8 Colin Davies drove over for another converted try.

Time was running out and the Ath stormed back with some searching attacks of their own and with two scores needed they took a penalty to reduce the deficit to six points.

Things were getting desperate now, and when Narberth turned the ball over and counter-attacked to score wide out, the game was up.

Just as time was due to be blown, Lewis

made a break and hard-working second-row Tom Penry-Ellis was on hand to take the scoring pass that at least secured the losing bonus point. **Final score: Bridgend Athletic 18, Narberth 24.**

Once again there is much to do on the training paddock as many observers felt that although the two sides were well matched, it was Narberth who displayed the greater composure on the ball and had a little more fire in their bellies at the contact area.

This week the Athletic visit high-flying Felinfoel for yet another tough encounter.

MARK DAVIES

Sleepers take lead in the first division



NATHAN JONES was among the goals as he helped AC Brackla to a comfortable 3-0 win over Racing Inter in the Bridgend 6-a-side Leisure League.

Day Sleepers really came to life in the first division, as they consolidated top spot, with a fine 2-0 defeat of The Bluebirds...

Anyone who wants to join the 6-a-side leagues in Bridgend can call 0845 230 2340 or visit www.leisureleagues.net.

Food festival fever hits Cowbridge

THIS weekend's Cowbridge Food and Drink Festival (October 24/25) has the town buzzing as the event enters its seventh year.

Organisers have built on the established format, and there will be the usual wide variety of delicacies, wines, beers, and ciders, together with expert talks on all matters culinary.

A special competition, aimed at children, involves finding 10 pumpkins, all hidden around the town. (An entry form is printed on page 11, but forms will be available on the day).

ABOVE: The Bluebirds are mid-table.



Kenfig Cougars see off the Tropics in knockout cup

THE Cougars opened the new basketball campaign with a comfortable 80-37 home win over the West Wales Tropics in the first round of South Wales Knockout Cup Competition.

Although missing head coach Jason Merchant, the Cougars' superior experience and strength in depth showed and the result was never in doubt from the open-

COUGARS WEST WALES TROPICS
80 37

ing tip-off.

A barrage of three-pointers in the first quarter allowed the home team a quick lead and they took a commanding 23-8 advantage into the second period.

The Tropics' ball movement improved drastically throughout the second quarter, and as a result they were able to match Cougars basket for

basket, making the score at the half 37-22.

The Cougars started the third period with increased intensity and really stepped up a gear, scoring 14 unanswered points to put the game out of reach of the Tropics.

A miraculous half-court buzzer beater from Ryan Chambers ensured all of the momentum was

with Cougars going into the final period.

Excellent team defence saw Cougars limit the Tropics to eight points in the final quarter and take a comprehensive 80-37 win.

Cougars now travel to West Wales for the second leg of the cup-tie this Sunday, taking with them a hopefully insurmountable 43-point aggregate lead.

Cougars' player of the game: Ryan Chambers. **AP**

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